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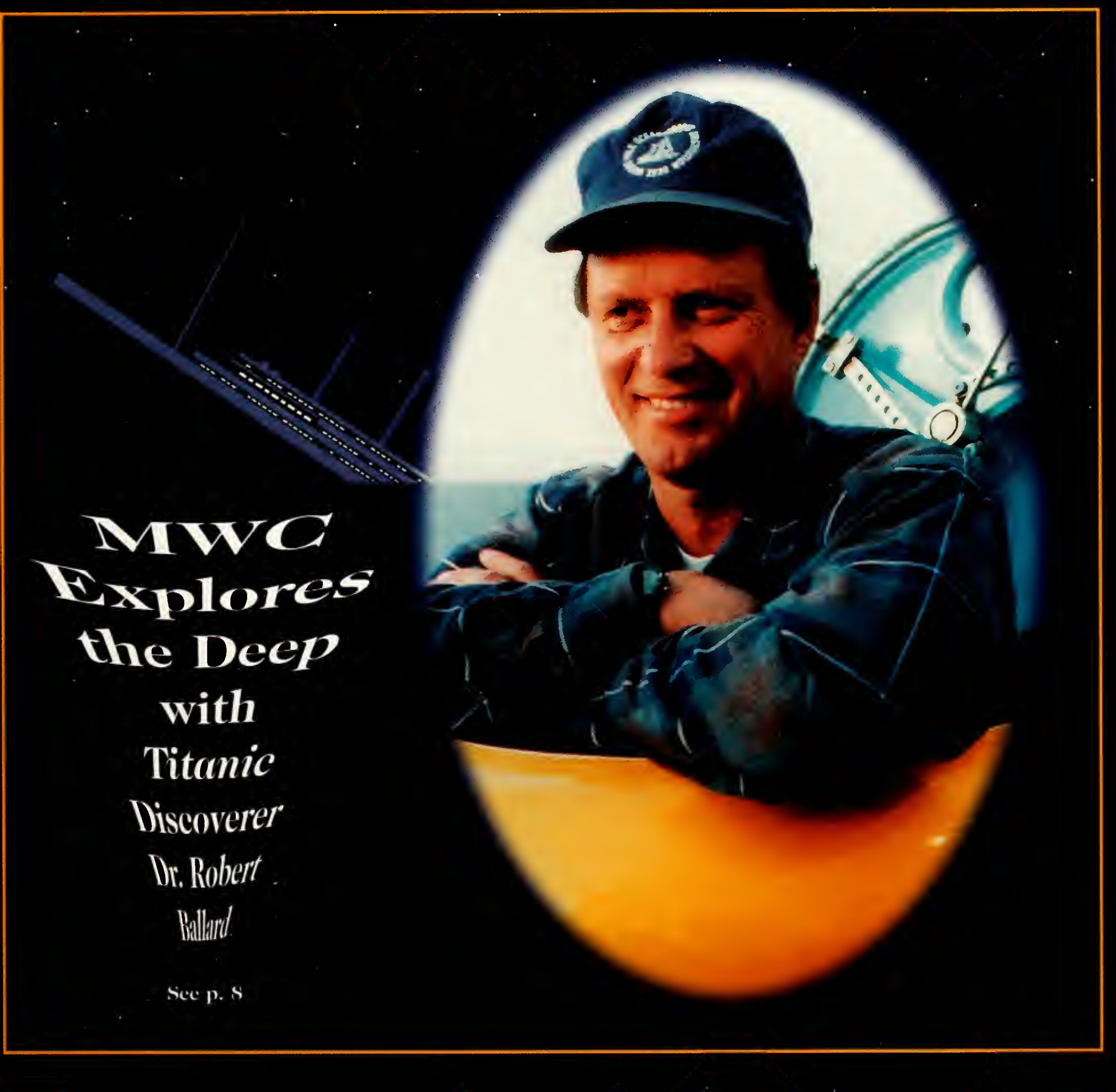

MWC Explores the Deep with *Titanic* Discoverer Dr. Robert Ballard

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The Mary Washington College community was saddened during the Thanksgiving season by the deaths, within a single week, of three of its most respected members. Collectively, the three had taught at the College for well over a hundred years, during which time they positively influenced, by precept and personal example, thousands of students. They will be deeply missed, though their imprint upon the institution and the lives of their students will long remain.

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Dr. Mary Warren Pinschmidt, professor of biology, died unexpectedly on November 25, 1998.

The holder of a Ph.D. in physiology from the Medical College of Virginia, Dr. Pinschmidt joined the Biology Department in 1961. In addition to teaching a wide range of courses, with specializations in bioethics, evolution, aging, and the history of biology, she served the College from 1986 to 1991 as associate dean for Graduate and Continuing Education, and was the founding coordinator of the College's Elderhostel program from 1984 to 1991. In 1982 she received the Grellet C. Simpson Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching, and in 1996 received the National Faculty Award from the Association of Graduate Liberal Studies Programs for her work in the development and administration of the College's Master of Arts in Liberal Studies degree.

The author of numerous articles, she traveled widely in the course of her research, including study in Australia, Siberia, and the Galapagos Islands. In addition to having a distinguished academic career, Dr. Pinschmidt was also an accomplished musician who played numerous instruments and sang in several choirs. Her husband, Dr. William Pinschmidt Jr., is professor emeritus of biology.

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Dr. Eileen Kramer Dodd, professor emerita of psychology, died at her home in Fredericksburg on November 28, 1998.

Dr. Dodd began her teaching career at Mary Washington in 1926 — the first female member of the faculty to hold a Ph.D. — and taught for 44 years. During that time she served the College in many ways, most notably as a popular and inspiring teacher, but also as adviser to many student organizations and as leader of various faculty committees. She chaired the Department of Psychology for 18 years.

"She gave a tremendous amount of herself to her students," said her godchild, Lisa Bales-Moroge '80. "She made an impact because of who she was. She had a grace and elegance and style about her. She was a beautiful person in the way she carried herself, the way she expressed herself, the way she cared about her students."

Dr. Dodd was married to the late James H. Dodd, who was an economics professor at the College. The main auditorium in George Washington Hall, the Eileen Kramer Dodd Auditorium, is named in her honor.

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Dr. Joseph Carroll Vance, professor emeritus of history, died on December 1, 1998, following a long illness.

Dr. Vance served throughout World War II as a submariner in the Pacific and was awarded numerous medals before being honorably discharged in June 1946. Thereafter he attended the University of Virginia, where he earned his Ph.D. in history. He taught briefly at Clinch Valley College and worked at the Library of Congress in the Recent Manuscripts Division before joining the Mary Washington faculty in 1960. From then until his retirement in 1987 he taught a wide range of extremely popular courses, mainly in the field of recent American history. He served as chair of the History Department for 11 years.

Well known in the Fredericksburg area as a gifted public speaker, he was also an avid sportsman whose columns on hunting and fishing were published in the local newspaper. Yet it is as a challenging and dynamic teacher that he is best remembered by his former students. As one of them, Charlotte Stultz '66, put it, "He was very much what we all felt a college professor should be. He was our hero."

William B. Crawley Jr.
Historian of the College

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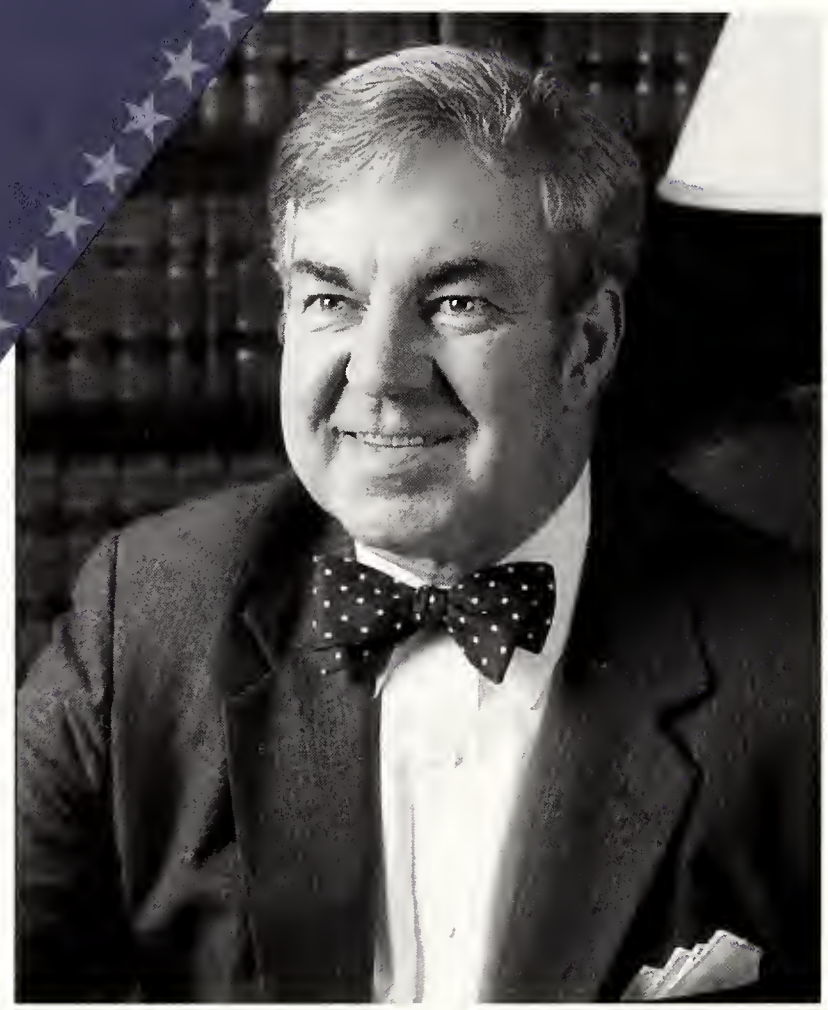
15 YEARS

WILLIAM M. ANDERSON JR.

PRESIDENT

BY ANNA BARRON BILLINGSLEY



William M. Anderson Jr. had just suffered a brain aneurysm. Partially paralyzed, he was in critical condition in a hospital bed in Richmond. As heavily medicated as he was, he had one thing on his mind: Mary Washington College.

He picked up the phone in his room and dialed the number for campus police. "Come and get me," he said.

As Bill Anderson relates the story now — two years later — he says, "My feeling was, if I could just get back to campus, everything would be OK."

The verdant Mary Washington College campus, into which at that point Anderson had poured 20 years of his life, had become a soul-satisfying, centering element. For him, serving as president of Mary Washington has never been just a job; it's been his passion, his lifeblood.

The story of his gutsy determination to return to the campus speaks volumes about his commitment to the institution he began leading in 1983. (He was inaugurated on April 7, 1984.) And it sheds light on his personality and sense of humor. Of course, Anderson says with a chuckle as he concludes the story, "I forgot to tell [the police officers] where I was."

Dr. Anderson did return to the College several months after his debilitating illness — not in a campus police car, but rather in the stately president's car with MWC FAN on the license plate.

And, despite some physical limitations, the College's No. 1 cheerleader has plunged back into his job with trademark exuberance and optimism. He's continuing with aplomb his role as not only chief administrator, but also chief lobbyist, chief fund-raiser, chief promoter, chief resource-builder and chief praiser.

"I love this place," Anderson, 57, says as he reflects on his 15-year tenure as president. "And I believe so much in it."

It took a man of vision to see the school's potential. Anderson was able to build on the initiatives his predecessor and mentor, Dr. Prince B. Woodard, had started. Woodard had successfully taken steps "to get the school back on its

feet," says Anderson, recalling the bleak situation they faced: average SAT scores at the College were less than 1,100 and falling; all but 10 percent of the students who applied were accepted; state funding was abysmal; and the campus, which was intersected by a roadway, was anything but bucolic.

A decade and a half later, Mary Washington College is turning away more applicants than it accepts and is cited in survey after survey as one of the best college buys in the nation. The campus is beautiful and serene.

The dramatic turnaround can be attributed primarily to Anderson.

"When Bill Anderson came here," says Philip Hall, the College's vice president for academic affairs, "this was not a confident institution." The question, Hall says, was "not 'Will we prosper?' but 'Will we survive?'"

"Bill Anderson had an absolute confidence and vision of what this place should be, could be, ought to be," Hall adds. "The strength he's built into this institution is what helped us survive."

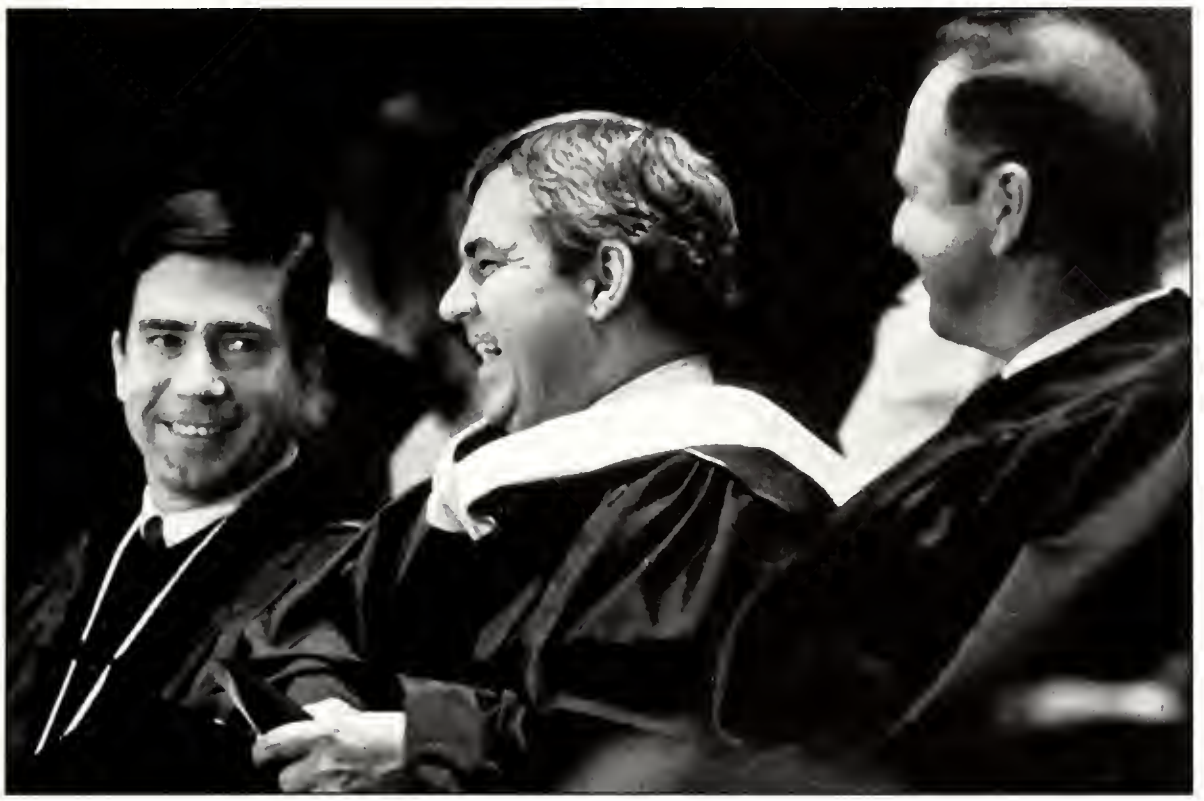
As Anderson himself describes it, "I set out a vision that we could build on our rich tradition and heritage and become nationally recognized in terms of arts and sciences."

That vision has become a reality. Just ask Dr. Ray Stapleton, Class of '92. An academic and athletic standout at Mary Washington, Stapleton now is a distinguished postdoctoral fellow at Oak Ridge National Laboratory in Tennessee. He says he continually encounters people who express interest in and admiration for Mary Washington College.

MWC's recognition nationally is due in large measure to Dr. Anderson, says Stapleton, who came as an undergraduate to know the College president, and still keeps in touch with him. "He is a person I respect as much as anyone I have ever encountered," Stapleton says. "While I was at MWC ... I watched him work very diligently to improve the College. Watching him overcome his medical problems and return to MWC has strengthened my opinion of him."

In September 1996 while Anderson was preparing to meet with legislators and College supporters in Richmond, a blood vessel in his brain ruptured. He underwent surgery and treatment at Medical College of Virginia Hospitals to repair the resulting aneurysm. Although he has made remarkable strides, Anderson remains partially paralyzed on his left side.

Mary Washington's sixth president, who came to the campus in 1976 as vice president, is as humble about his physical recovery as he is about his administrative accomplishments. "I've been very lucky in my life in terms of people," Anderson says. "At every turn, I've had the opportunity to be associated with wonderful people."



In 1984, Gov. Charles S. Robb (left) and Judge J.M.H. Willis (right) enjoyed inauguration day with MWC's new president.

Simpson Library Director LeRoy Strohl

It may be that he's a magnet.

Back in 1984, Roy Strohl was convinced Mary Washington was not the place for him. He was happy where he was, heading up the library at Emory & Henry College. Why would he want to give it all up to take on the position of director of library services at a college that had an antiquated library and was on the verge of a major conversion to a new filing system?

Because Bill Anderson wanted him. And because Bill Anderson presented the job as a challenge.

Fourteen years, a new state-of-the-art library and updated filing system later, Strohl says he never has looked back. He was sold on Bill Anderson, who clearly was sold on Mary Washington College.

"He has the clearest sense of vision and purpose I've ever seen in a college administrator," Strohl says. "He really knows liberal arts."

In May, President Anderson personally hands diplomas to every graduate.

Anderson says a strong emphasis on liberal arts is the key to Mary Washington's vitality. "A broad-based liberal arts education is absolutely critical," the College president says. "All of our graduates are good writers. Now, we're working on their oral skills."

Anderson said of Mary Washington students, "We've had one success story after another. Nothing proves it more than to be on stage and shake the hands of and look into the eyes of graduates.

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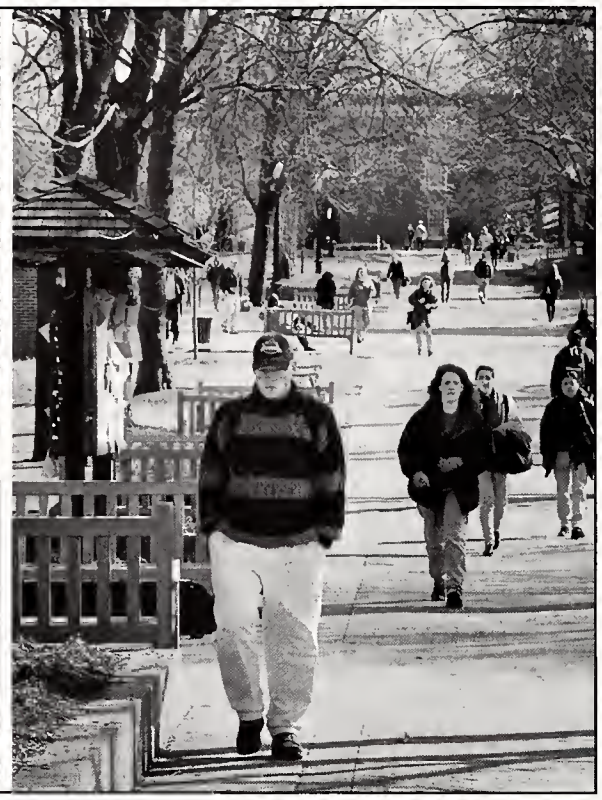

Campus Drive became Campus Walk in the late 1980s.

President Anderson addressed MWC's baseball team and the crowd at the dedication of V. Earl Dickinson Stadium.

Something happens while they are here."

What Anderson has strived to do is create an "overall mosaic of quality" on campus. "I wanted everyone here to think 'quality' — from the person cutting grass to the faculty member teaching class."

And he wanted people to congregate on campus and engage in quality conversations. He achieved this goal by eliminating some asphalt and laying some bricks. Closing off the road that ran through the center of campus and adding walkways with benches has created unity and has fostered networking among students and faculty members, Anderson says. While he sees a great deal that still needs to be done on campus — both academically and aesthetically — Anderson says, "I'm excited. I talk to people all the time who walk through campus and say how beautiful it is."

In typical fashion, Anderson is looking toward the future. With another accreditation process looming shortly after the turn of the century, "The College has some important business facing it," he says.

Money is one. "For us to reach the levels we're capable of reaching," Anderson says, "our endowment has got to grow." Additionally, he wants to improve the student/faculty ratio and expand the resources available to professors.

He's also excited about the prospects of the satellite campus in Stafford County. One of the goals outlined in Anderson's 1984 inaugural speech was achieved last year when ground was broken for the new campus.

He views that complex, which will cater to the needs of area residents, as "a win-win situation." He highlighted the proposed digital TV station, an electrical engineering program and a small business development center.

President Anderson and other dignitaries on groundbreaking day for Stafford County campus

Even with all the planned changes, one thing will remain the same: the core campus's size, which Anderson cites as an attribute. The College's Board of Visitors has set an enrollment cap of 4,000 students.

And Bill Anderson tries to get to know as many of those students as possible. While his physical disabilities prevent him from strolling around campus as much as he previously did, he still attends as many College athletic events as possible.

College alumna and benefactor Alice Andrews Jepson '64 is amazed at the strides Anderson has taken since his illness. "It's like moving a mountain," she states. While his business acumen is as sharp as ever, she adds, his approach is softer.

What he has gone through, Mrs. Jepson says, "has given him a sensitivity and tenderness of purpose."

Because of his life-altering experience, Anderson now has something other than a diploma to dispense to Mary Washington students. "I tell students now that they need to get their priorities straight," he says, listing these as "family, friends and faith."

A positive outcome of his illness is that he spends more time with his own family and cherishes every minute of it, Anderson says. He and his wife, Jane, live at Brompton, the College president's home off Sunken Road. Two of their children have graduated from college and have started their own careers; the third is a junior at the College of Charleston in South Carolina.

Another good thing about the "horrifying experience" he has endured, Anderson says, is that "I'm not scared of anything in the future."

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MEETING THE ARRINGTON $200,000 CHALLENGE

BY KAREN DUBS

Arabelle Laws Arrington '41 has extended a $200,000 challenge commitment to inspire all alumni, parents, employees and friends of MWC to increase their Annual Fund support. The challenge matches all new and increased gifts dollar-for-dollar up to $200,000 and will support student scholarships, faculty recruitment and retention, faculty benefits and other College priorities. If the College achieves the goal and raises $200,000 in new contributions this year, it will gain an additional $400,000 in funds.

"For those who did not make an Annual Fund gift in the last fiscal year, or have never made a gift, the Arrington Challenge will double their entire gift," explains Monecia H. Naggs, director of development at Mary Washington College. "For those who made a gift last year, we are asking them to consider increasing their gift this year, since the increased portion will be doubled."

Arabelle Arrington's challenge gift demonstrates her firm belief in the mission of MWC. "Mary Washington challenges its students in many ways and provides them with an outstanding educational experience. As an alumna, I am proud of my alma mater and feel a responsibility to give back to the institution that gave so much to me," says Dr. Arrington. "I have extended this challenge to inspire others to join me."

Because of her commitment to the College, Dr. Arrington has served in many roles at MWC since her graduation in 1941. She is a former member of the Board of Visitors and currently serves as the president of the MWC Foundation Board of Directors. She was honored at Commencement 1998 with an honorary doctorate of humane letters.

Ronald E. Singleton, senior vice president for advancement and college relations, says that this fundraising effort is a challenge for many reasons. "Only the increased portion of each gift counts toward the $200,000 match, so the College needs everyone's increased support this year to reach our goal." Dr. Singleton went on to explain that if the challenge is a success, the Annual Fund will see a significant increase this year.

Many supporters have already responded to the challenge with increased generosity to help the College meet its goal. During the months of February and March, student phonathon callers will be contacting alumni and parents who have not yet pledged a gift.

"It is more important than ever for alumni, parents, employees and friends to support this year's Annual Fund," says Naggs. "The Arrington Challenge provides donors with a wonderful opportunity to make a gift that will have double the impact. It is rare that we have the opportunity to watch one dollar become two."

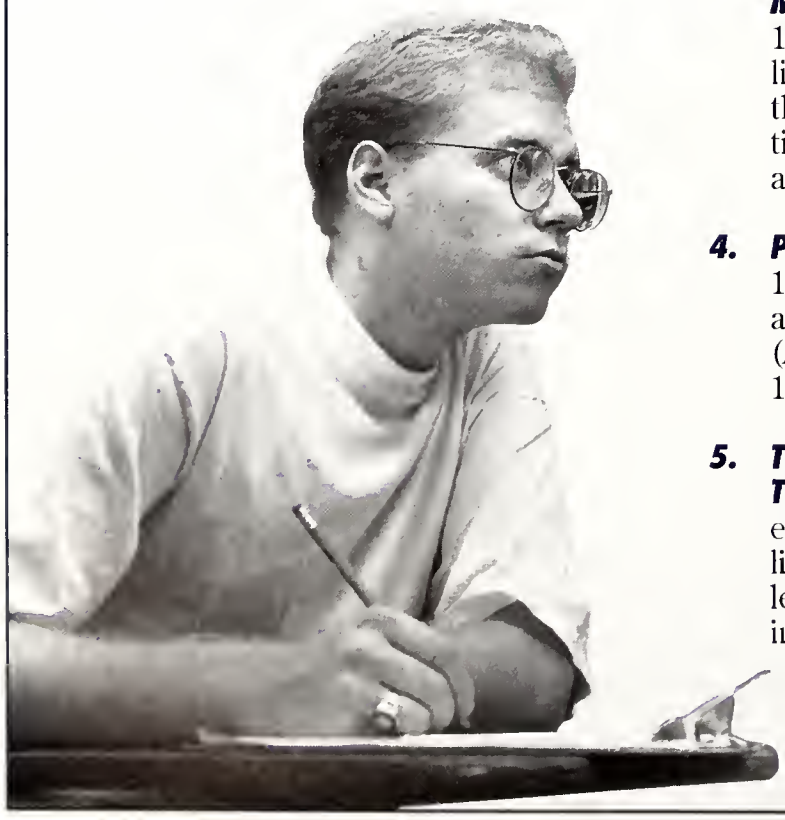
Karen Dubs is director of marketing for college advancement at MWC.

NATIONALLY

Listed below are publications that have cited MWC as one of the nation's leading colleges in terms of academic quality, admissions selectivity and/or as a best buy.

1. ***U.S. News & World Report,*** August 31, 1998, "America's Best Colleges: 1999 Annual Guide," listing Mary Washington College as one of the nation's 200 best colleges and fourth among "Regional Colleges & Universities" in the South. (Past years rated as follows: 1990, 13th; 1992, 12th; 1994, 12th; 1995, 13th; 1996, fifth; 1997, fifth.)

2. ***The Fiske Guide to Colleges,*** 1999 edition, by former *New York Times* education editor Ed Fiske, listing 315 of the nation's best colleges and universities. (Also listed in 1993, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1997 and 1998 editions.)



3. ***Kiplinger's Personal Finance Magazine,*** September 1998, "Top 100 Values in State Universities," listing Mary Washington College as the 22nd best value among the nation's 580 public four-year colleges and universities.

4. ***Peterson's Competitive Colleges,*** 1998-99, "featuring 350 colleges that attract the nation's top students." (Also listed in 1991, 1992, 1993, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1997 and 1998 editions.)

5. ***Time and Princeton Review's — The Best College for You,*** 1999 edition, published in fall of 1998, listing information about the nation's leading colleges, ranks Mary Washington as the fifth most selective among Virginia's public and private institutions.

6. ***Barron's Profiles of American Colleges,*** 1998 edition, ranking Mary Washington College in the "highly competitive" category, designating the College as one of the nation's 112 top colleges and universities in terms of academic selectivity.

7. ***Money*** magazine, "Money's 1998 Value Rankings," (published September 1997) listing Mary Washington College as the 12th best buy among the nation's top 100 colleges and universities, first in Virginia, and third in the Mid-Atlantic Region. (Also included in 1990, 28th; 1991, 23rd; 1992, 30th; 1993, 32nd; 1994, 39th; 1995, 28th; and 1996, 22nd.)

8. ***The Fiske Guide to Getting into the Right College,*** 1997, by former *New York Times* education editor Ed Fiske, listing the nation's "most prominent schools ..." in various

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categories. Mary Washington College, Fiske says, "is easily mistaken for one of Virginia's elite private colleges ..." but is state-owned, coed and "growing in reputation and selectivity."

. *The Princeton Review,* 1997 edition, "The Best 310 Colleges," in which 40,000 students rate their campuses and faculty, workload, class size, social life and sports. (Also listed in the 1994, 1995 and 1996 editions.)

0. Kaplan/Newsweek ***— How to Get Into College*** 1997 edition. Contains a listing of 1,000 schools ranked on the basis of competitiveness.

1. Kaplan's ***The Road to College,*** 1996 edition, featuring 421 of the nation's leading colleges and universities. Mary Washington College is called "one of the nation's best kept secrets" in a section labeled "buried treasures" by the book's editors.

2. *Guide to 101 of the Best Values in America's Colleges and Universities,* current edition, published by College Admissions Quarterly, listing the 101 best college values in the nation. (First listed in 1992.)

13. *Barron's Best Buys in College Education,* 1998 edition, listing nearly 300 colleges and universities which ... "all deserve recognition where it counts: in the performance of their faculties, the depth and comprehensiveness of their curricula, the preparation of their students for lives after graduation, and the prices they charge for their services." (Also in the 1990, 1992, 1994 and 1996 editions.)

14. *U.S. News & World Report,* September 23, 1996, "The Best College Values," listing Mary Washington College as the 11th best buy among "Regional Colleges & Universities" in the South. For the fourth year in a row, MWC was also rated the second "most efficient" regional college/university in the South by *U.S. News & World Report* (previously recognized in 1993, 1994 and 1995).

15. *The Best Buys in College Education,* current edition, by former *New York Times* education editor Ed Fiske, listing 229 of the nation's best college buys, featuring colleges "that offer high quality education at reasonable cost." (First published in 1988.)

16. *Barron's Guide to the Best, Most Popular & Most Exciting Colleges,* current edition, listing 415 colleges "that have the best and most distinguished faculties, state-of-the-art facilities, the highest standards of academic achievement among students and the most prestige ..." or the most popular or most exciting colleges. (First listed in 1988 edition.)

17. *Rugg's Recommendations on the Colleges,* by Frederick E. Rugg, current edition, rates 650 colleges and universities on the basis of selectivity.

18. Dr. Martin Nemko's ***How to Get an Ivy League Education at a State University,*** current edition, which lists 115 of the nation's top colleges from a pool of 570 four-year public institutions. (Published in 1988.)

Dr. Robert Ballard

EXPLORING THE DEEP WITH TITANIC DISCOVERER

BY LIZ GORDON

The interior of the new Jepson Science Center reminds one of the appealing underwater creature, the chambered nautilus, with its exquisitely coiled mother-of-pearl shell. And, much like the enduring mollusk, the center's tenacious appendages extend to catch whatever swims into it. Introduce into its opalescent lecture hall, an oceanographer/geologist/discoverer such as Dr. Robert Ballard, with his navy blue submarine cap and eye-wide smile, and you're launched into a world of undersea voyages and last-frontier careers.

The first thing Ballard, former senior scientist at Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution and president of the Institute for Exploration, asks for when he enters a room is for someone to turn out the lights, so Jepson Science Center's lustrous lecture hall 101 went as black as the inside of an oyster the day he arrived. One would assume that the world-famous explorer likes it dark so he can effectively show his slides of the deep abysses he glides through in his three-man submarines. But, as he explains, "It's because I'm used to working in the dark."

Best known for his discoveries of the sunken *R.M.S. Titanic, Bismarck* and *Lusitania,* Dr. Ballard has come to Mary Washington to help celebrate the center's opening before he studies an undersea trail of 4th-century Roman merchant ships lying on the bottom of the Mediterranean. He's proud of having found those ships, but it's the 7,000-foot-deep Black Sea — where the swift Bosporus strait separates Turkey in Asia from Turkey in Europe, and through which, in ancient times, so much commerce flowed — that floods his dreams. No oxygen for wood borers in the Black Sea means any ship from the Bronze Age on down should be completely mummified. "Thousands of ships have been lost, and they are just sitting there," he says, "200,000 time capsules waiting for someone to stumble on."

Ballard goes a lot of places no one has ever been before — underwater mountain ranges with miles-deep canyons — realms on this earth not known to exist until recently because they lie so well hidden. For example, the Mid-Atlantic Ridge, found in the '60s after people were sent to the moon, turns out to be the earth's largest feature. "It's an organism that bleeds lava blood," he explains.

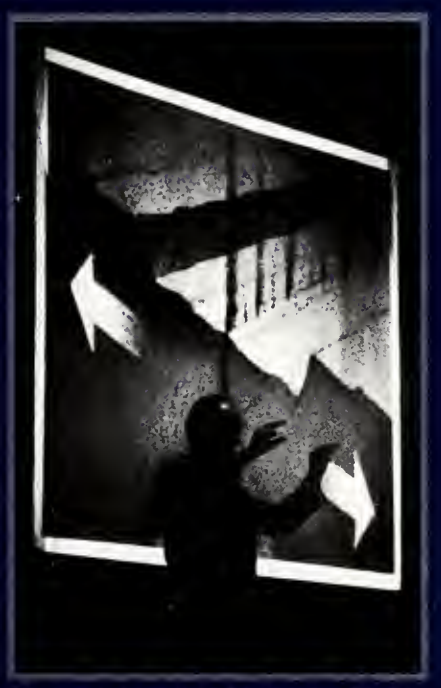
"Hundreds of thousands of active volcanoes erupt under the ocean on a daily basis. As we speak, the sea floor is spreading." For two years he cruised the 42,000-square-mile Mid-Atlantic Ridge that twists around the globe then ends up as the San Andreas Fault in California. "It's pitch black down there," he says. "You can see only three feet away." He quit that project when he realized he wasn't going to see but a small percentage of the mountain range at that rate.

When asked by an MWC student if it's scary, he says, "It feels like you are flying through the Rocky Mountains at midnight in a helicopter with a flashlight." Since then he's totaled more than 100 expeditions to the deep. "Your generation will be able to explore more than all the previous generations combined."

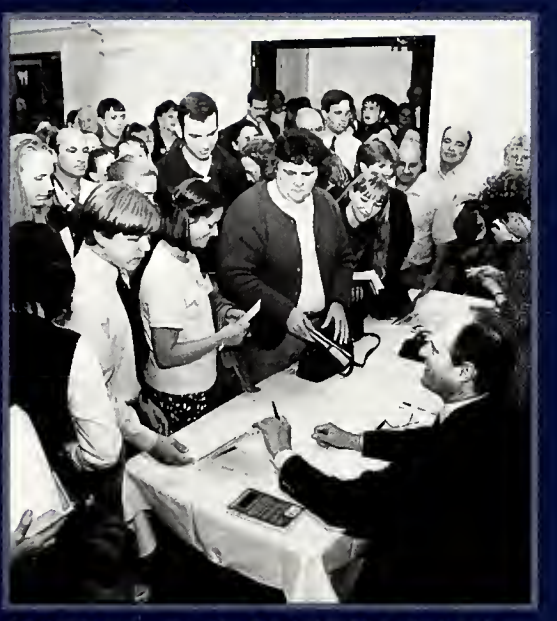
With his vivid undersea slides, Ballard floats from personal experience to scientific exploit, layering minds with undersea career possibilities. The room flows with him through his sunken mountains and valleys drifting into caves where foot-sized clams and eight-foot worms bleed human-like blood and live on poisonous gases supported by their own carbon-based system based on the earth's energy. "Things like that are going to be discovered on your watch — not mine," he challenges. While the hall is still, students seize the opportunity to reflect on following in Ballard's wake. It's only the click of another slide that brings them back.

Leagues of underwater exploits pour out during his classroom lecture, but Ballard says it was only after his 80th expedition, his finding the *Titanic,* that young people overwhelmed his office with more than 16,000 letters, asking to go

In Jepson Science Center, Ballard tells students, "When I told my parents I wanted to be Captain Nemo, they didn't laugh."



Slides of ocean floor plate tectonics illuminate the Dodd Auditorium stage.



Ballard autographs his latest book, Lost Liners.

along on his next trip down. Those letters led to his handing over his newly designed control center, originally designed for other scientists, to enthusiastic young people. Named the Jason Project, this year-round scientific expedition, which engages students in science and technology and provides professional development for teachers, sets young people directly in the discovery mode. For two weeks they "dive" with scientists and control live-feed underwater video cameras.

"Students eat it up like candy," Ballard says, "700,000 students have signed up this year. And any student can apply, but they have to do their homework. Students must take at least one science class, and they have to do the curriculum. It's worth the mental push-ups to get to play in the game," he says.

His students have seen (by telepresence) the bottom of the Mediterranean Sea, underwater volcanoes, remains of ancient trading vessels, armed schooners from the War of 1812, and the Galapagos Islands above and below water. "What we have to do is sell students on life — the acquisition of knowledge. Get them to say, 'I want to play.' I don't expect all these young people to become scientists, but I do expect them to come away with a respect for problem-solving and the mental discipline it takes.

"Immerse yourself in what the universe offers you," he pleads. "Science is one game you can play your whole life."

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UNDERSEA BATTLEFIELDS

Dr. Robert Ballard's family landed in Virginia in 1635, and both sides fought at Gettysburg, so when the famous oceanographer-geologist visited that Civil War cemetery for the first time, he cried. "It's powerful — powerful," he says, "to stand there and hear those voices — to imagine what happened at Little Round Top, Culp's Hill, on Seminary Ridge and in the cornfield."

Here to help mark Jepson Science Center's opening, Oct. 29, Ballard addressed John Temple's Biology Concepts class.

Ballard had avoided thinking about the human side of the *Titanic* catastrophe until TV anchorman Peter Jennings asked if he expected to see any human remains or bring up any antiquities when he went down to explore the ship.

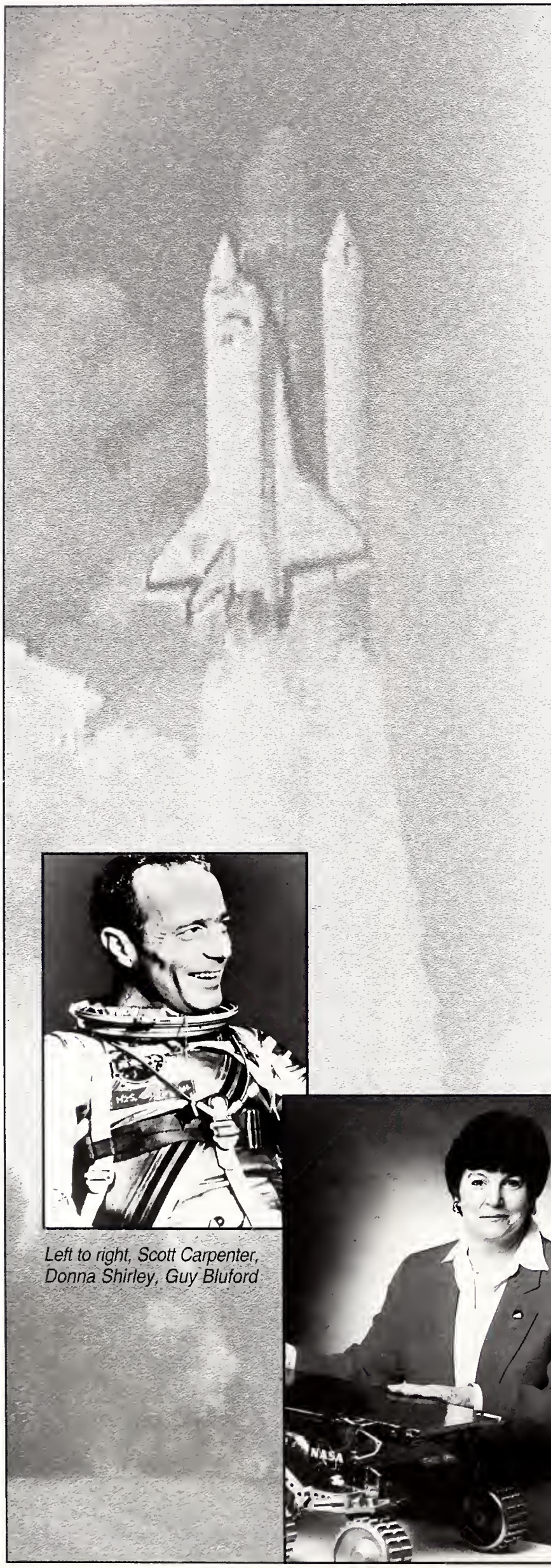
When Ballard did descend into the pitch-black depths, no other living soul had been there. Driving his submersible toward the stern area, he saw the debris field. He had only begun to cross the ocean floor when a doll's head bumped against the porthole, startling him, and causing him to crack his head on the panels above. It stared at him briefly before floating off.

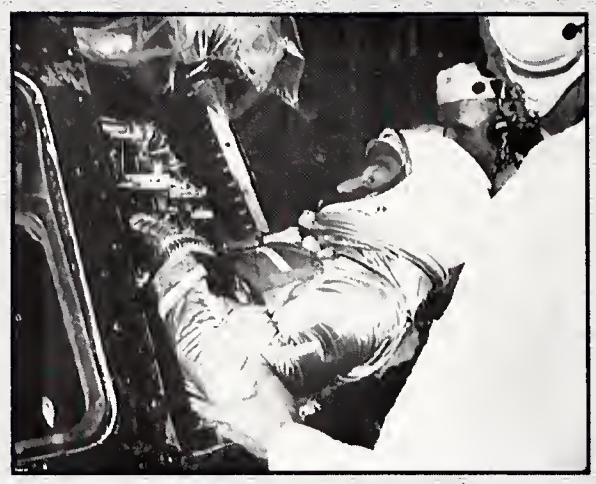
"That humanized the dive for me," the scientist says. Moments later he saw the battlefield of shoes. "That completed it for me — when we saw where the bodies landed.

When ships sink in shallow water they commonly run aground, hit a reef or rocks, and are severely damaged. For centuries storms pound on them, until they disintegrate. Deep-sea ships founder, sink intact and slowly, fall a few miles an hour, then settle into soft mud thousands of feet below. Usually a portion of the ship burrows into the bottom and wood borers eat the upper part of wooden ships, leaving nothing but its cargo, by which Ballard locates the vessels.

When Ballard found the *Titanic* it was in 12,000 feet of dark, cold water. "There's tremendous pressure down there," he says, "and the sedimentation rate, or the rate of burial, is very slow. It's about a centimeter, which is less than a half an inch per thousand years.

"It's another world in the deep sea," he says. "It's like a deep-sea refrigerator — history put into suspended animation. And there's nothing wrong with visiting any of these ships and paying respects, but would you go to the *Arizona* in Pearl Harbor and look for belt buckles? That's how I feel about the *Titanic*."





Scott Carpenter inserted into Aurora 7 space craft (1962)

THE OPENING OF THE JEPSON SCIENCE CENTER AND

A VISIT FROM THE "SPACE PEOPLE"

BY BULENT ATALAY

Three hundred years ago the immortal English physicist Isaac Newton formulated the physical laws and the necessary mathematics to launch artificial satellites. But it took the coupling of science and technology in the 19th century, the development of heavier-than-air flight technology in the first half of the 20th century, the advent of computers, and a very strong catalyst in the form of the Cold War to launch the Space Age.

Scott Carpenter was one of the original astronauts chosen, and the second, behind John Glenn, to make an orbital flight. Carpenter came to MWC the last week in October joined by retired astronaut Guy Bluford and Donna Shirley, manager of the Mars exploration program, to make up a three-person aerospace team that helped officially open the Jepson Science Center.

The timing for their visit was auspicious, coming in the same week that John Glenn made a visit into space in the space shuttle *Discovery* after a 37-year hiatus.

In fact, Scott Carpenter was the designated back-up for John Glenn, in the event that Glenn could not make that first orbital flight. Recalling the early days of the Space Age, Carpenter pointed out to Professor Gardner Campbell's class the all-pervasive fear of Soviet technology that existed in this country. The Soviets were first to put up an unmanned artificial earth satellite, then first with a manned satellite, all with clear indication they could send intercontinental

Left to right, Scott Carpenter, Donna Shirley, Guy Bluford

ballistic missiles anywhere on earth. There was even talk of putting weapons in orbit, or on the moon. In calling for America to place a man on the moon by the end of the decade, President John F. Kennedy had picked up the gauntlet cast by the Russians, and a tacit race was underway. With the end of the Cold War, Carpenter said, "We came to know the Soviet cosmonauts, and they were nice people, just like us."

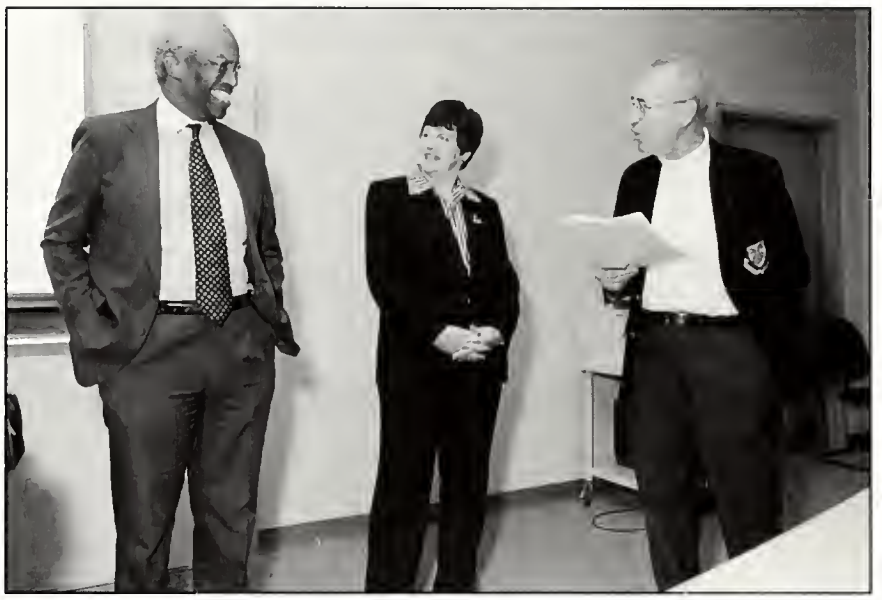
In Professor Nikola Nikolic's astronomy class, Donna Shirley and Guy Bluford fielded questions on career opportunities, and spoke to the need for a public voice in the space program. Regarding the former, the guests reiterated that students should always aim high, and if one envisions a career in the aerospace field, they should strive for as much technical education as possible, whether in the natural sciences or in engineering. A master's degree appears to be the minimum, with a doctorate preferred.

Shirley and Bluford told the class of their own experiences. Shirley, who, as division chief at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, managed the unmanned probe on Mars in 1996-97, said she had studied aeronautical engineering in her native Oklahoma. When she first entered this gender-biased field years ago, she recalled, she met with staggering resistance, even hearing from one of her professors in Oklahoma, "Girls can't be engineers." With diligence and good humor, however, she persevered, earning a bachelor's degree in aerospace engineering at the University of Oklahoma, and, later, a master's degree at the University of Southern California. The sound training and a natural knack for management opened many doors for her, as she both witnessed and helped usher in new opportunities for women in the sciences.

The next generation of NASA projects will involve a multinational space station, now being assembled. Bluford and Shirley believe that as citizens we should be aware of developments and advise Congress on what we would like to see from NASA. Donna Shirley pointed out that the budget of NASA has been decreasing in recent years. The "Sojourner" — the microwave oven-sized robot on six wheels which meandered on and around rocks on Mars while probing the material it encountered — cost $25 million. That's a lot of money, she said, but not more than the salaries of some top NBA players.

Guion "Guy" Stewart Bluford Jr. joined the astronaut team with the eighth class of astronauts in 1978, a class which included Sally Ride. He earned a B.S. in engineering from Penn State and subsequently joined the Air Force. As a fighter pilot he flew on 144 combat missions, with 65 over North Vietnam. After the war, he earned an M.S. and a Ph.D. in aerospace engineering from the University of Houston before joining the corps of astronauts. And, along the way, he picked up an M.B.A. He pointed out that there are essentially two approaches to work as a shuttle astronaut. The first is as an astronaut pilot, with the usual source being the corps of Air Force or Navy test pilots. The second is as mission specialist, carrying out research in one's own specialty. As an astronaut, Dr. Bluford served as a mission specialist on four flights of the shuttle. He told the class that they should do as he did — find something you love to do, and then find someone who will pay you to do it!

During the evening panel discussion in Dodd Auditorium, with Judy Mansfield Muller '69 serving as a conduit for questions from the audience, the panelists were asked whether they had known any fear. Bluford confessed, "Yes. In those flights over North Vietnam! There were people below who didn't particularly want me to be there." As for the shuttle flights, he continued, he felt no fear, "... knowing that there were a lot of people on the ground whose main concern was a successful mission."



Professor of Physics Nikola Nikolic introduces Guy Bluford and Donna Shirley to his astronomy class.

W. Gardner Campbell, assistant professor of English, escorts Scott Carpenter to Chandler Hall.

Astronaut Bluford answers questions after class in Jepson Science Center.

Bulent Atalay is a professor of physics at Mary Washington. In 1970 he personally witnessed the launching of Apollo 13, which almost ended catastrophically, and about which Tom Hanks starred in a recent film. An occasion which brought him close to an astronaut was a 1984 expedition that he made to Mount Ararat in eastern Turkey. He characterizes the expedition as a "dubious" archaeological project in search of Noah's Ark. Jim Irwin, an astronaut on Apollo 17, who drove the first car on the moon, was also part of the expedition.

HALL OF FAME
1998 INDUCTIONS HELD

Above: The 1988 NCAA Champion Women's Tennis Team poses 10 years later at the Hall of Fame induction with their coach, Ed Hegmann. Front, left to right: Christy Copper, Mary Beth Begley Matuszewski, Dawn Schiller, Noelle Labar Hague. Back: Suzie Groah, Lynne Yankosky, Ed Hegmann, Sonya Snider Rios, Stephanie Myers Michalowicz.

Right: President Anderson and Director of Athletics Ed Hegmann in front of the women's tennis photo display at the Hall of Fame Banquet.

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The 1988 NCAA Champion MWC Women's Tennis Team joined surprise inductee William M. Anderson Jr., president of MWC, as the third class inducted into the Mary Washington College Athletic Hall of Fame during Homecoming Weekend. Members of the team each received plaques commemorating their induction, as did Dr. Anderson.

Ed Hegmann, coach of the 1988 NCAA Division III National Champion women's tennis team, addresses the crowd at the third annual Athletic Hall of Fame Banquet.

Hall of Famer "Buddy" Hawley '87 and wife Carol greet new inductee Dr. William M. Anderson Jr.

Dr. Hegmann presents Dawn Schiller '90 with her induction plaque.

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College Historian William B. Crawley Jr. introduced the president, citing his energetic efforts toward improving the College's athletic facilities and his personal enthusiasm in support of MWC's teams. Moreover, Dr. Crawley commended him for his emphasis upon teamwork, as manifested in Anderson's approach to the College's development, and for his individual courage and determination, as demonstrated by his remarkable recovery from life-threatening illness two years ago. "We honor him tonight," said Dr. Crawley, "not only for what he has done to enhance our College's sports, but for what he has done to lift our collective spirits. ... He has thus earned not only our congratulations, but our gratitude."

Athletic Hall of Fame nominations are open for 1999, and anyone wishing to nominate a former athlete, coach or administrator should contact the Office of Sports Information at (540) 654-1743.

EXECUTIVE-IN-RESIDENCE

A Student's Perspective

BY MARISA BODNAR '00

On Oct. 7, 1998, Mary Washington College was fortunate to host Karen C. Radley as the 1998 Executive-in-Residence. Mrs. Radley, the second woman executive of the program since its inception in 1989, is an impressive person with a history of positive accomplishments. Through her efforts, she has built herself and her corporation into an industry leader.

In 1979, along with her husband, Vincent, Mrs. Radley opened her first automobile dealership in Fredericksburg. Over the course of two years, the first dealership was profitable enough to enable the Radleys to purchase a second dealership in Fredericksburg. By 1988, the Radleys had also opened dealerships in Falls Church and Woodbridge. Mrs. Radley currently serves as chief operating officer of the Radley Automotive Group, which the Virginia Automobile Dealers Association named the largest woman-directed new-car dealership in Virginia.

Concurrent with the growth of Radley Automotive Group, Mrs. Radley has also been extremely successful throughout the automobile industry, and was the first woman dealer/operator to obtain prestigious *Time* magazine's Quality Dealer Award. Her peers further complimented her by twice electing her to represent fellow Acura dealers in franchise negotiations. Locally, she has also been named the Prince William County Businesswoman of the Year.

Radley's visit at Mary Washington began with the Business Leaders Breakfast, where she spoke of the importance of understanding the needs of a constantly changing industry and the community in which a business thrives. She stressed the necessity for understanding a business's immediate surroundings while keeping a close eye on the larger market. Dr. Larry Penwell, associate professor of psychology and business administration as well as a faculty member on the Executive-in-Residence Committee, noted this strength, saying "I was very impressed with Mrs. Radley's global perspective, and her ability to delineate, so clearly, how global dynamics play out in a local business." The breakfast was also interactive, as numerous business leaders questioned her on subjects ranging from the technical to the ethical. Radley, levelheaded and confident, was always able to provide interesting and knowledgeable insights in her responses.

During the day, Radley was transformed from a chief operating officer into a teacher, presenting a lesson on "Brand Imaging" and another lecture, "Competing with Giants." Students in both marketing management and microeconomics classes were able to take a break from textbook learning and hear about real business-world applications of course material.

The afternoon brought even greater opportunities for students. Radley spoke with seven students in a roundtable discussion on "Careers in Corporate Management." The format was very informal, allowing students to engage her in open conversation. One issue discussed was a company's mission statement and philosophy. Organizational goals and philosophy are stressed in Radley Automotive Group, she explained, as exemplified by all employees carrying laminated cards of the fundamental beliefs of the corporation.

Students also asked about employee motivation, interviewing skills and balancing a career and family.

Junior Mel Sirois says that Radley "took the time to evaluate all the students' questions and answer them to her best ability. She wanted to provide us with all the information we needed. She offered suggestions of where to find information she was not able to provide. Her session was helpful in many ways." Clearly, Radley made students feel very comfortable, and her approachability created an atmosphere in which students felt free to express their views and question methods for succeeding in business.

Mary Washington College was privileged to have Karen Radley as the Executive-in-Residence for 1998. She is a businesswoman who is successful, respected and dedicated. Her visit gave students the opportunity to speak one-on-one and in small groups with a woman who has demonstrated that effort and determination, combined with talent, can lead to success in the world of business.

Marisa Bodnar '00 of Stratford, Conn., is majoring in psychology and business administration at MWC.

EXECUTIVE-IN-RESIDENCE

On Campus

PALMIERI PLAZA DEDICATED

Before Nancy, Matt and Jessica Palmieri planted a tree in memory of their husband and father at the dedication of the Richard P. Palmieri Plaza on November 4, Paul Dresser, rector of the College, recalled Dr. Palmieri's legacies.

A popular professor with faculty and students alike, he was lauded for his professional dedication to scholarship and to the welfare of his students, and for his personal integrity, civility, decency, and humanity toward his fellows.

At its February 1998 meeting, the Board of Visitors renamed Monroe Hall fountain square to honor the memory of Professor Palmieri, who was a member of the Department of Geography from 1977-97.

The plaque near the fountain reads:

THE RICHARD P. PALMIERI PLAZA

The Plaza is named in memory of Richard P. Palmieri, who taught geography at the College from 1977 until his death in 1997. A dedicated scholar and superb teacher whose vigorous intellect was always leavened by his love of laughter, Professor Palmieri earned the respect of all who knew him, creating an indelible image in the minds of his students and in the hearts of his friends. In the classroom he epitomized, as in his own life he embodied, the values of liberal education upon which the College is founded.

FACULTY HIGHLIGHTS

Ernest C. Ackermann, professor of computer science, and Karen P. Hartman, reference librarian, made two presentations. "Meeting the Challenge of Critically Evaluating Information on the Internet and the Web" was presented at Educom '98 in Orlando, Fla. "Searching and Researching on the Internet and the World Wide Web" was a half-day tutorial ses sion presented at WebNet '98, also in Orlando, Fla.

Mehdi Aminrazavi, associate professor of philosophy and religion, chaired a panel on "Avicenna" at the 20th World Congress of Philosophy in Boston, where he presented a paper titled "Avicenna on Knowledge by Presence."

Rita M. D'Arcangelis, associate professor of computer science, and Frederick J. Weindelmayer '98 presented "Developing Grammars for Context Free Languages: An Experiment in Genetic Programming," at the 76th annual meeting of the Virginia Academy of Science, held at George Mason University.

Stephen J. Farnsworth, assistant professor of political science, was interviewed about congressional elections of 1998 on the public radio program "With Good Reason." He gave an analysis of the content of campaign advertising to show how candidates were using or avoiding the recent political scandals in Washington, D.C., in their campaigns.

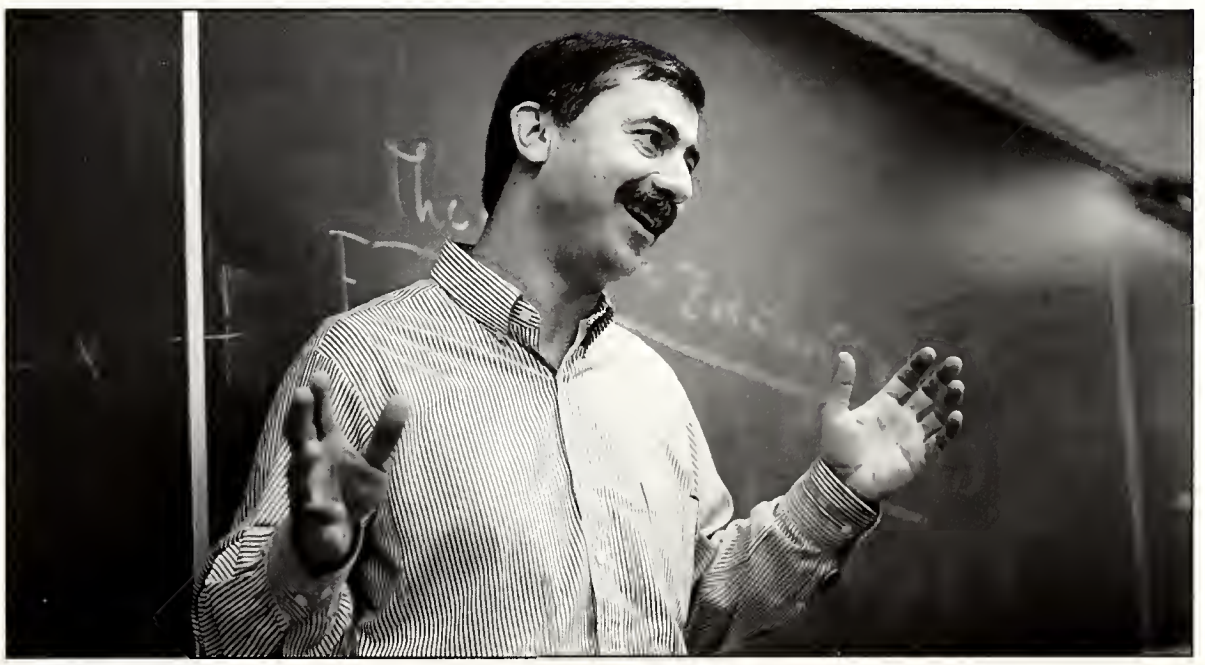
Victor A. Fingerhut, associate professor of political science and international affairs, made approximately 40 appearances on national television over the past five months regarding the Clinton crisis. Most of the programs were on MS-NBC and Fox. He also appeared on programs presented by the British Broadcasting Corporation and the Australian Broadcasting Corporation.

Erin Hogan Fouberg, assistant professor of geography, is the co-author of a book titled *The Geography of South Dakota*. The book was written with Edward Patrick Hogan.

James F. Gaines, professor of French, presented a paper, "In His Majesty's Painful Service: The Ambiguities of Molière's *Sganarelle*" at the 10th annual conference of the International Society for Humor Studies in Bergen, Norway.

Liane R. Houghtalin, assistant professor of classics, presented "Creta Et Cyrenaica: A Roman Province Personified" at the 94th annual meeting of the Classical Association of the Middle West and South, held in Charlottesville, Va. Dr. Houghtalin also has been elected treasurer of the Classical Association of Virginia.

Rosemary A. Ingham, director of cos-



Mehdi Aminrazavi

Margaret A. Klayton-Mi

tuming and design in the Department of Theatre and Dance, has written a book titled *From Page to Stage: How Theatre Designers Make Connections Between Scripts and Images.*

Christopher T. Kilmartin, associate professor of psychology, was featured on the radio program "With Good Reason," on the topic of postmodern man, addressing such issues as domestic violence, child abuse and violent crime.

Margaret A. Klayton-Mi, associate professor of business administration, wrote a commentary for the *Harvard Business Review* on a case study about managing remote workers. Dr. Klayton-Mi teaches a seminar on "Managing Remote Workers" and is vice president of the International Telework Association and Council. Additionally, Dr. Klayton-Mi presented a paper on "Classroom Demographics and Segmentation: A Research Study," at the Marketing Management Association's Fall Educator's Conference in St. Louis. She also was the chair for a "Great Ideas" session at the conference titled "What Works/What Doesn't."

At the March 1998 annual meeting of the Society for American Archaeology in Seattle, Wash., Michael J. Klein, principal investigator for the Center for Historic Preservation, organized, co-chaired, and presented a paper in a symposium concerning archaeological research of Native American landscapes in the Chesapeake region. "Dating Multiple Occupation Sites by Analysis of Artifact Attributes," examined how ceramics can be used to identify different periods of American Indian activity on the same site. In May 1998, Dr. Klein chaired the archaeology section of the Virginia Academy of Sciences meeting held at George Mason University. In addition, Dr. Klein presented a paper and assisted with two papers presented by students from the Department of Historic Preservation. Dr. Klein's paper, "Reading Archaeological Palimpsests: Methods and Results," treated methods of recognizing and analyzing spatial patterns in prehistoric archaeological sites.

John M. Kramer, distinguished professor of political science and international affairs, wrote an article on "The Politics of Corruption in Russia" for the October 1998 issue of *Current History.* He also delivered a paper titled "Drug Abuse in Post-Communist Russia" at the annual meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies in Boca Raton, Fla. Dr. Kramer was also featured on the radio program "With Good Reason," on the topic of Eastern Europe, addressing such issues as nuclear mishaps and the effect on the environment.

Richard J. Krickus, distinguished professor of political science and international affairs, provided testimony before the U.S. Senate Committee on Foreign Relations. He spoke about Lithuania and U.S. foreign policy priorities. Dr. Krickus also gave a talk on "The Kaliningrad Riddle and Lithuania" at the Embassy of Lithuania in Washington, D.C.

Kathryn E. Loesser-Casey, assistant professor of biology, has been selected by her senior colleagues for Project Kaleidoscope Faculty for the 21st-Century Class of 1998. The project promotes new teaching and learning strategies in science, mathematics, engineering and technology education. Dr. Loesser-Casey's selection was based on her showing promise as a leader in undergraduate education.

David J. Long, professor of music, was selected to receive the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers Award. Dr. Long was selected for the award based on his original compositions and performances of his works.

John D. MacIsaac, adjunct professor of classics, was selected as the Solow Summer Senior Research Fellow of the American School of Classical Studies in Athens, Greece. Dr. MacIsaac spent the summer in Greece completing his publication about the coins found in the excavation of the theater in Corinth, Greece.

Robert L. McConnell, professor of geology, is co-author of the book *Environmental Issues: Measuring, Analyzing, and Evaluating.* The book was written with Dr. Daniel C. Abel and published by Prentice Hall.

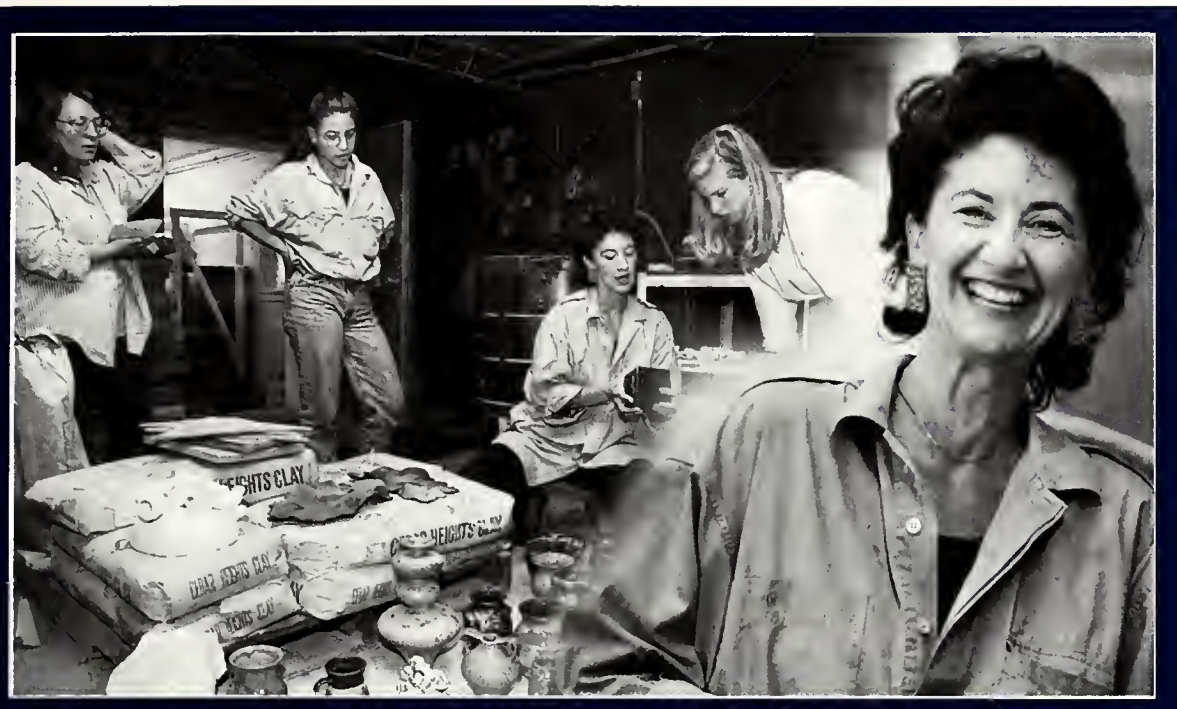
Patricia L. Metzger, professor of business administration, delivered a paper, "An Effective Course Design Model for 21st-Century Students," at the 23rd International Conference, Improving University Learning and Teaching, held in Dublin, Ireland.

Barbara D. Palmer, professor of English, and Mary Washington College have been awarded a Collaborative Research Grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities. The two-year grant, totaling $88,750 in outright and matching funds, is for a project titled "Records of Early English Drama: Editorial Support for Publication." The purpose of Dr. Palmer's project is to identify, transcribe and publish records of early entertainment in the British Isles from the beginning of early English drama until the English Civil War in 1642. Thirty editors from the U.S., Canada, England and Ireland are involved in the project's collection of data, which is published by the University of Toronto Press.

Allyson M. Poska, associate professor of history, wrote a book titled *Regulating the People: The Catholic Reformation in Seventeenth-Century Spain*, published by E.J. Brill Academic Press.

Donald N. Rallis, associate professor of geography, is working on *The Africa Library*, a large collection of online resources about Africa at http://www.africalibrary.org. The project is funded by a grant from the Mellon Foundation. Dr. Rallis recently taught a course based on *The Africa Library* at James Madison University, George Mason University and Mary Washington College. In addition, he led a group of 22 students and faculty to South Africa and Madagascar on a study program which he plans to repeat this year. Dr. Rallis also made a recent trip to Australia in preparation for a summer study abroad program to take place this year.

John H. Reynolds, professor of computer science, presented the paper, "Introducing Concurrency Using the Shared Memory Simulator," at the Twelfth Annual Southeastern Small College Computing Conference held at Carson-Newman College in Jefferson City, Tenn. The paper also was published in *The Journal of*



Lorene Nickel has taught at MWC since 1981.

PROFESSOR OF ART AT MWC IS AWARDED ARTIST'S FELLOWSHIP

Lorene C. Nickel, professor of art, has been awarded an Artist's Fellowship from the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts Foundation in Richmond for 1998-99. This year, six artists were selected to receive the $8,000 professional fellowships.

Ms. Nickel is best known for her work with sculptural ceramics, and has exhibited widely both in the U.S. and abroad. Last fall her ceramics were exhibited at the "1998 International Biennale" in Johannesburg, South Africa, and at the "Spotlight '98" at the Arrowmont School in Gatlinburg, Tenn. Other recent exhibitions include the "Kutani International Ceramic Competition '97" in Komatsu, Japan; the "1997 Monarch National Ceramic Exhibition" in Florence, Ala.; and "A Centennial Celebration: American Ceramics" at the University of Kansas in Lawrence.

Ms. Nickel received her M.F.A. in ceramics from the University of Florida in 1980, and her B.A. in art from Goshen College in Indiana in 1972.

Computing in Small Colleges.

Stephen H. Watkins, associate professor of English, was selected to receive the 20th Annual Book Award of the Virginia College Stores Association (VCSA) for his book, *The Black O: Racism and Redemption in an American Corporate Empire.* The award is given to an author currently residing in Virginia for a book of outstanding literary, social and intellectual merit as judged by a committee of VCSA members. Over 50 titles were nominated this year for review. Dr. Watkins' book, published by The University of Georgia Press, is a nonfiction legal thriller that tells the behind-the-scenes story of Haynes vs. Shoney's Inc. This was the largest private class action job discrimination lawsuit in U.S. history, with a settlement of $132.5 million.

EVENTS ON CAMPUS

September

Award-winning pianist Lynne Mackey, a skilled interpreter of 20th-century music as well as traditional classical repertoire, gave a solo performance...The Mary Washington College Department of Theatre and Dance announced the revival of "Crimes Against Nature," an original solo performance written and performed by Associate Professor of Psychology Christopher Kilmartin. The product of a year-long collaboration between Kilmartin and Assistant Professor of Theatre Gregg Stull, "Crimes Against Nature" is a humorous, compelling, and very personal look at the pressures of masculinity. The production will tour Virginia in the coming year, and throughout the country during the 1999-2000 theater season. The joint project by Kilmartin and Stull is supported by a Jepson Funds for Excellence Grant, a program that supports collaborative interdisciplinary faculty projects at Mary Washington College...The Mary Washington College Galleries hosted a photography exhibition depicting powerful images of refugee camps in Cambodia and Thailand during 1980-81. The exhibition, "After the Killing Fields: Photographs by Kyle Coble of Refugee Camps Along the Thai Border," was on display in duPont Gallery from Sept. 18 to Nov. 1...MWC was the site of a forum about Social Security. The program was sponsored by Economic Security 2000 (ES 2000), a nonpartisan, grassroots, educational organization dedicated to saving and reforming Social Security... Mary Washington College's Annual Family Weekend featured class visitations, art exhibitions, campus and historic Fredericksburg tours, a picnic lunch, and MWC soccer games...The Department of Theatre and Dance began its 1998-99 season with the award-winning play, "Crimes of the Heart," by Beth Henley. It is the story of the Magrath sisters from Mississippi who cope with illness, marital problems and unwanted family memories by drawing upon their sisterly strength and love. The play was directed by Rosemary Ingham, resident costume designer...Linda Collins Reilly, associate professor of classical studies at The College of William and Mary, presented a lecture at Mary Washington College titled "The Ancient Greek Dog: Hunter, Worker, Friend." Dr. Reilly lectures and publishes on the subject of ancient domestic animals, as well as on neoclassical architecture and the classical tradition in North America. She has raised Pembroke Welsh corgis since 1981.

James E. Baker

October

The Rappahannock Region Small Business Development Center at Mary Washington offered its Micro-Business Development Training Program...An exhibition of artwork by the internationally acclaimed American artist Leon Golub was held Oct. 2-Dec. 15. The select group of prints and large-scale paintings were a representation of the last 30 years of work by Golub, who is known for his poignant and expressionistic depictions of human sadness and violence...The Mary Washington College-Community Orchestra, under the direction of Dr. James E. Baker, opened the 1998-99 season with a concert featuring the works of Bach, Grundman, Gearhart, Holst,

Dr. Robert P. Forbes

Friedemann and Offenbach…"Slavery and James Monroe's America" was the subject of the 11th annual James Monroe Lecture, given this year by Dr. Robert P. Forbes, executive coordinator of the Gilder Lehrman Center for the Study of Slavery, Resistance and Abolition at Yale University…John Johns, critically acclaimed guitarist, presented a workshop, "Guitar Music and Devices," followed by a recital…The Mary Washington College Chorus presented its fall concert…MWC celebrated the opening of the new 13.5 million Jepson Science Center with a series of science programs and a public open house during the week of Oct. 26-31. Guided tours were scheduled throughout the week for the public, faculty and students, MWC local alumni and the College's Board of Visitors. Several science programs were offered to the public in conjunction with the opening. Dr. Harvey Lyman, professor of cellular and developmental biology at the State University of New York at Stony Brook, presented a lecture titled "The Photoregulation of Chloroplast Synthesis: Some Surprises from Unconventional Chloroplasts." The Fredericksburg Forum and the visit of Robert Ballard (see articles elsewhere in this magazine) also took place that week.

November

The politically charged and expressive works of New York artist Leon Golub were the topic of a lecture presented by the artist himself. In conjunction with the lecture and the Golub art exhibition, a symposium was presented by Golub and his artist wife, Nancy Spero. Golub and Spero have been husband and wife artistic partners for over 40 years. Much of their work asserts the need to wrestle with the realities of human pain. Golub's canvas paintings often depict violence or potential violence. Colossal in size, they offer a striking look at the gestures and facial expressions of figures under stressful conditions…Janet A. Alpert, president of the Richmond-based LandAmerica Financial Group, Inc., was the keynote speaker at the Fifth Annual Leadership Colloquium for Professional Women, which focuses on leadership and management skills for women who wish to advance in their careers…Acrylic paintings, graphite drawings, photography and other media by three senior studio art majors were featured in an exhibition titled "Aftermath" at the duPont Gallery. As part of the studio art degree requirements, senior students must organize an exhibition of their work…"Fredericksburg AIDS Walk '98," a 5km walk through the city of Fredericksburg, was held in November, with proceeds going directly to Fredericksburg Area HIV/AIDS Support Services…Encore, the Mary Washington College Show Choir, presented a lively choreographed show…Mary Washington College hosted the third annual national Multi-Ethnic Perspectives Conference, November 12-14 at the Key Bridge Marriott Hotel, in Arlington, Va. The conference, sponsored by MWC's James Farmer Multicultural Center, aims to develop greater understanding among ethnic student populations through the use of workshops, speakers and entertainers.

On Halloween, MWC's COAR (Community Outreach and Resources) hosted "Trick-or-Treating" for Fredericksburg area children. A turnout of 80-100 children enjoyed going to more than 150 rooms in 13 residence halls for candy treats — a most successful Halloween event! Mary Washington students volunteered their time to guide the children to participating residence halls and rooms. Special features of this year's event were pumpkin-painting, pin-the-nose-on-the-pumpkin, and face-painting. According to Beth Sullivan '00, COAR's special programs coordinator, everyone involved did a great job, making a terrific day for both the kids and the volunteers.

U.S. Poet Laureate Presents Lecture at MWC

Robert Pinsky, a prize-winning poet and current U.S. Poet Laureate, spoke at Mary Washington on "Dante's Inferno: The Translation."

Pinsky placed Dante onto the best-seller lists with his acclaimed 1994 verse translation of *The Inferno*. His translation of Dante's work was awarded the *Los Angeles Times* Book Prize and the Harold Morton Landon Translation Award, granted by the Academy of American Poets. According to the *Los Angeles Times*, "Pinsky runs on megahertz energy," and "speaks with dizzying eloquence."

Pinsky is the author of five books of poetry, including *The Figured Wheel: New and Collected Poems 1966-1996*, and is also the author of three books of prose: *Landor's Poetry*, *The Situation of Poetry* and *Poetry and the World*.

New titles include *A Brief Guide to the Sounds of Poetry in English* and an anthology of poems about heartbreak called *Handbook of Heartbreak*. Pinsky is a professor of graduate writing at Boston University and the poetry editor of the weekly Internet magazine, *Slate*.

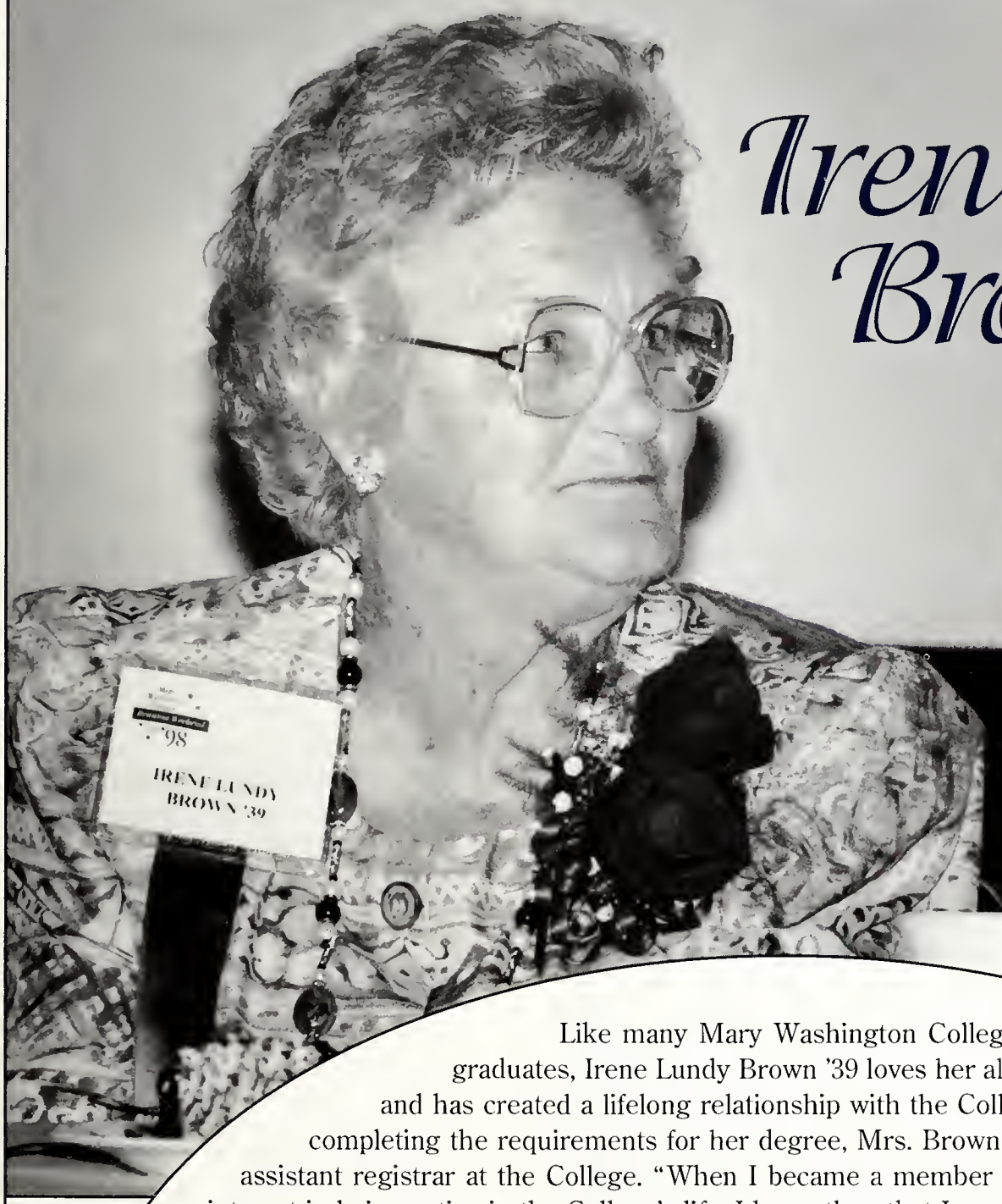
Pinsky's lecture was part of the Grellet and Dorothy Simpson Series in Medieval Literature at Mary Washington College.

HOMECOMING

At Homecoming in mid-October, the MWC rugby team had a great match with returning alumni. MWC Rugby is celebrating its 15th year. The 1998 team went 8-1 last spring and 6-4 last fall to place third in the Virginia Rugby Union. Mary Washington will meet Penn State in the Mid-Atlantic Tournament this spring. Last time the ruggers played Penn State, MWC won 26-16. The big game on campus this spring will be against Princeton on February 27.

Other highlights from Homecoming 1998 included an 11-2 win by the women's soccer team and a victory by the field hockey team over the #4-ranked team in the nation. From above left (clockwise), Claire Van Till '01 drives upfield in the field hockey game; Brad Kelly '00 works upfield in the men's soccer game against Salisbury State; fans enjoy the proceedings at the soccer games; Leah Phillips '00 and Martine St. Germain '01 defend play in the women's soccer game. Background photo: Two-time all-region selection Laura Stafford '01 strikes the ball.

Irene Lundy Brown '39



Mrs. Brown with her late husband, Vernon.

Like many Mary Washington College graduates, Irene Lundy Brown '39 loves her alma mater and has created a lifelong relationship with the College. Soon after completing the requirements for her degree, Mrs. Brown accepted the role of assistant registrar at the College. "When I became a member of the staff, I developed an interest in being active in the College's life. I knew then that I wanted to be a supportive alumna for the rest of my life," she says. ❧ Her involvement has spanned more than 50 years and has included varied leadership roles, including membership on Mary Washington's first Board of Visitors. In addition to her years of service, Mrs. Brown and her late husband, Vernon, also dedicated financial resources to MWC. As Mrs. Brown describes it, "MWC has been an integral part of my life. My heart belongs to Mary Washington, and so my financial resources will also be dedicated to the College." Vernon shared his wife's love of Mary Washington College, and in recognition of his dedication and service, he was named an honorary MWC alumnus in 1989. ❧ In 1986, the Browns established the first of two gift annuities with the College to provide them an income for life while also enabling them to make a substantial gift to Mary Washington. "I can't think of a more ideal arrangement," says Mrs. Brown. ❧ For more information on establishing a gift annuity, or another planned gift with the College, please contact:

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Message from the President of the Alumni Association

Our Homecoming "tent" event was a huge success. More than 600 attendees joined us on a gorgeous fall afternoon in October. It coincided with the Class of 1993's five-year reunion, which was well attended. Mark your calendars for Reunion Weekend, June 4-6, 1999, when we will be honoring class years ending in 4 and 9. Our board has been busy setting up committees for the awards and Distinguished Graduate-in-Residence programs. I hope you will contact us with any nominations. It was great to see Judy Mansfield Muller '69, who made a special trip from the West Coast in October to serve as moderator of the Fredericksburg Forum. In November, we held a regional program at the Chrysler Museum in Norfolk for Tidewater area alumni. We continue to gear up and plan many events; I hope you will join us soon for a program in your area.

I began to wonder recently — just WHO is the Alumni Association? Here is what I learned:

We currently have approximately 20,750 members with known addresses who represent the classes of 1913 through 1998. Our alumni live throughout the United States and in several foreign countries, including Australia, Austria, Canada, Japan, England, France, Germany, Italy, Ecuador, Turkey, Argentina, South Africa, China and Oman.

Okay, so we are a big group in a lot of places, but what are we doing? What career choices have we made? I started making a list of occupations, and this is by no means complete. MWC graduates are: physicians, dentists, attorneys, photographers, television news correspondents, college professors, veterinarians, radio personalities, geologists, state legislators, judges, television script writers, television producers, stockbrokers, museum curators, medical illustrators, chefs, librarians, military officers, minor league baseball managers, pharmacists, business owners, pilots, school principals, engineers, teachers, realtors, psychologists, ambassadors, and the list goes on.

Wow! It is amazing to know that our MWC education could send us in so many directions. I guess my conclusion would be that the liberal arts prepare you for anything and everything.

But what frustrates me is knowing that we don't have all your stories. We want to know. We want to share that information with the Office of Admissions and the Office of Career Services so they can brag about you to current students and those considering an MWC education. We want to share your successes with fellow alumni through programs, awards and special events. We want to know where you are and if you would like to attend a regional event or volunteer to speak with students and alumni. We want to know if you are interested in serving on the Board of Visitors.

I challenge each of you to make sure our occupation list is truly representative of the WHO that makes up the Mary Washington College Alumni Association. Respond to your class agents and reunion booklet editors. Talk to those phonathon students and support the Arrington Challenge. Attend Homecoming and Reunion Weekend. And provide the alumni office with updated information about you.

Until next time...
Tara C. Corrigall '82

MWC Receives $350,000 From Two Alumnae Estate Gifts

BY KAREN DUBS

Mary Washington College has received two separate estate gifts totaling close to $350,000. Two alumnae designated these generous gifts to the College through their estate plans, and by remembering Mary Washington College in their wills, they have left a lasting legacy to the students and the College. Their gifts will benefit the College for many years through student scholarships and other endowed programs.

Louise Proffitt Spencer, a resident of Charlottesville, Va., attended Mary Washington in 1928-29. During her lifetime, she was a faithful contributor to the College. In her will, Mrs. Spencer made specific provisions for several close friends and relatives. The remainder of her estate was to be divided equally between Mary Washington College and two other non-profit organizations. Mrs. Spencer's foresight and generosity provided over $300,000 to the College.

Louise M. Scott, a resident of Wyckoff, N.J., graduated from Mary Washington College in 1945 with a degree in early childhood education. She worked in the Ho-Ho-Kus, N.J., school system for almost 40 years. Mrs. Scott consistently made gifts to the MWC annual fund during her lifetime, and further stipulated that a percentage of her residual estate be given to Mary Washington. Final settlement of her estate has resulted in a gift of more than $40,000.

Supporters of Mary Washington who have included the College in their estate plans through such vehicles as annuities, trusts or bequests, are included in the College's Heritage Society. If you would like to learn more about making a planned gift, please call Valerie Schultheiss Kuramoto, director of planned and leadership giving at Mary Washington College, at (540) 654-2061.

Karen Dubs is director of marketing for college advancement at MWC.

Christine McBride, assistant professor of psychology (left) and Deborah Ann Stahl '72, DGIR

DISTINGUISHED PSYCHOLOGY GRADUATE RETURNS

Deborah Ann Stahl '72 was Mary Washington College's 1998 Distinguished Psychology Graduate-in-Residence. During her two-day residency October 1-2, Dr. Stahl met with faculty and student groups to provide graduate school and career advice and to deliver a lecture on "The Sexually Violent Offender."

Dr. Stahl is a clinical psychologist with the Missouri Department of Corrections at the St. Louis Community Release Center. Her duties include acting as a psychologist for a 450-bed minimum security prison while providing assessments for treatment and consultation.

In addition to her position with the corrections department, she maintains a private practice. She is experienced in the supervision of postdoctoral fellows, staff psychologists, psychology interns and practicum students.

Dr. Stahl has been involved with numerous presentations, research projects and community service projects. She serves as a volunteer facilitator for the St. Louis Pet Loss Support Group and is a member of both the American Psychological Association and the Missouri Psychological Association. She is also a certified forensic examiner.

Dr. Stahl received her doctorate in clinical psychology from Washington University in St. Louis and her bachelor's in psychology with distinction and honors from MWC.

The Psychology Graduate-in-Residence program is sponsored by the MWC Department of Psychology and the Campus Academic Resources Committee.

A Note of Thanks

Just recently I learned that the Class of 1948 had given $32,000 toward the Ellen Alvey Montllor '48 Scholarship. I was deeply moved by this action on the part of classmates that Ellen knew so well and regarded so highly. She loved the College, too. It was a happy choice of a 50th anniversary gift of the Class of 1948 to Mary Washington College. The very thought of this action warms my heart.

Edward Alvey Jr.
Dean Emeritus

Dr. Alvey with his late daughter, Ellen, in 1989.

OFFICE OF CAREER SERVICES NEEDS YOU!

Do you remember when you were a student — unsure of what careers were available to you? In the Office of Career Services, we work with undecided students every day. One of our most valued sources of career and graduate school information is MWC alumni.

We would like to invite you to participate in our biggest event of the spring: Careers & Majors Day, scheduled for Thursday, March 25, 1999.

For this program, we invite numerous alumni to return to campus and discuss their career fields with students. You don't have to make a speech or sit on a panel — just chat informally with students and share your experiences with them.

Career Services works with alumni (such as our information interview database, upcoming alumni/senior reception in Northern Virginia, internship program and more). For more information, please call Mary Becelia, associate director of career services at (540) 654-1022 or e-mail mbecelia@mwc.edu.

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Classes of 1913-30

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Margaret Pritchett Hurlbut has moved from Lake Wales, Fla., to a lovely retirement center called Westminster Oaks in Tallahassee, Fla. She writes, "My two children, David Hurlbut and Bonnie Levy, and grands live in Tallahassee, also.

"MWC was Fredericksburg State Teachers College when I was there, and Mrs. Bushnell was dean of women. It wasn't coed then. I was real homesick when I first went but loved it before I left. Still remember a lot of my friends there and have some snapshots.

"One day, years ago, I was taking my children to Washington, D.C., to see all the sights. I drove through and around the College and showed them Frances Willard Hall, where I lived. One night while my roommates and I were asleep, the ceiling fell down, and we had to move out until it was repaired. I also remember and have pictures of the daisy chain we made. One time I broke my little finger at FSTC catching a fly ball, and it was put in a splint.

"I remember much more, but this is enough to write. How I'd love to go back and see all that's been built since I was there."

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We extend our sympathies to the family and friends of **Frances Curtis Smith Proferes Kapfer**, who died in June 1998. Frances was a Fairfax County teacher and librarian. She is survived by a daughter, two sons and eight grandchildren. Frances lived for many years at Kingsmill in Williamsburg.

Frances Liebenow Armstrong wrote that she would like to do something really special for those of us who return for our 65th reunion in 2001. Frances, who is a member of the Alumni Association board of directors, says "It will be here before we know it!" We surely thank you, Frances. Her picture appeared in the winter 1998 issue of *MWC TODAY*, and **Ruby Lee Norris**' picture was in the summer issue.

"**Cassie**" **Brown Simpson** wrote: "The Lord has been good to me over all these years for I have had good health, except for the loss of hearing, up until May 1996, when I had bypass surgery. I did well for recovery, but at my age I don't think you really get all your energy back. I have had someone stay with me at night since then. Right now I have a niece from Arkansas living with me. Tracey is 24 and taught in Arkansas last year. She recently became engaged to a young man from my church, and she will teach here in my community this year. She keeps things lively around here, especially now, with plans for the wedding.

"I guess I'm living in what you call 'luxury,' but I don't like it. I have someone to mow the lawn, clean the house and Tracey is my chauffeur and cook — she is a good cook. What do I do? I feed my faithful retriever and water the flowers — someone else does the weeding. My sister, Dot, passed away when I was in the hospital. My cousin, Zonie Compton Kaylor, lives in Port St. Lucie, Fla. She still does a lot of volunteer work."

Edna Harley Sickels wrote: "I stay busy — still am in my house, which is much too large for one person and a small cat. I keep putting off til one more tomorrow finding something smaller. Moving is too traumatic to think about."

Mary Alice Turman Carper wrote that "Things physically move along much as usual for my sister, Lillie, and me. Our activities continue to become more limited; just do not have our former get-up and go — always planning to do beyond our energy. I'll try to make our 65th in 2001; appreciate the fact that Frances will chair it. I have seven grandchildren. The oldest is 32, the youngest is 15, plus three great-grandchildren ages 6, 4 and 6 months. All a joy. We got some much needed rain and some wind from hurricane Bonnie, but not any damage, as many did. May you also have fared as well."

I telephoned **Louise Jennings Creamer**, who lives in Lynchburg. She is well and enjoys visits with her daughter, Sally, who also lives in Lynchburg. Her California families come to see her twice a year.

Mary Frances Rowe Varner and her brother and sister-in-law went with a group on a two-week cruise on the Danube and Black Sea. They flew to Istanbul and spent two days there, then they flew to Romania to board the ship. From there they went to Hungary, Bulgaria and Austria. Mary Frances had never been to eastern Europe. In Washington, she keeps busy with her usual volunteer work at the cathedral and making museum visits to see new exhibits. In June she went to Wilmington, N.C., and then went with daughter Mary Susan when she took Emory, 13, to spend three weeks in a camp in the western part of the state. In July her daughter, son-in-law and grandson rented a house in Colby, Maine, which is in the northern part of the state where lobster fishing is the principal occupation. Mary Frances spent a few days at a small bed-and-breakfast establishment across from their house. They thoroughly enjoyed trips around that part of the state. It was quiet and restful. It was quite a change from Washington, as Mary Frances never locked her door the entire time. After her European trip, Mary Frances had a cataract operation. She gets the Fredericksburg paper, so she is able to keep up with the College news. MWC has high ratings in many magazines which have articles about education.

Adelle Mansfield Goodwin wrote: "At the end of July 1998 I had a little stroke that made me even slower than before, although I had normal blood pressure and temperature. I just had two dizzy spells. After that, I knew that I needed a walker. I joked that snails were passing me! Recently, my daughter, Judy, found a wonderful walker that is on four wheels, and it folds. She brought it to me in August, and now I can walk faster than I could before the mini-stroke. Judy's husband, who is in the Air Force, is stationed at the Pentagon and will retire at the end of February 1999 as a 'bird' colonel."

As for me, my big news is an expected granddaughter to be born to my son, Jonathan, and his wife, Cindy, in San Francisco in January. This will be their third child. I have four other grandchildren.

I've enjoyed writing about my classmates. Thanks to those of you who sent news. I hope many of us can attend our big reunion in 2001.

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From Gwen:

Greetings to each of you '42ers! We want to hear from you to share your joys, sorrows and anything else.

Marie Seay Harry is enjoying her new home in Atlantic Shores in Virginia Beach, Va., into which she recently moved. **Ruth Seay Schneider**, Marie's twin, who lives in Kings Port, Tenn., visited in September, and they were planning to go to their high-school reunion.

Marguente Tuck Anderson is looking forward to moving from Wisconsin to Spring Lake, Mich. Enthusiastically, **Dorothy Thrasher Jones** told me about the Elderhostel she and her husband, Robert, recently enjoyed while traveling in Scotland, Wales, Ireland and France. **Mary Pride Hunninghake** was actually slowed down recently by an operation. Not to worry — she keeps up with everyone in a grand way!

As you read in "In Memoriam" in the last issue of *Mary Washington College TODAY*, we have lost **Aloise Brill Ayers**. She passed on in February 1998. We extend our deepest our sympathy to her family and friends.

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Hey, classmates, it's time to tune up, get ready for June 4, 5 and 6 — our 55th reunion!

Fran Tracy and her friend, Bev, delighted my heart one Saturday as, en route from Waxhaw, N.C., they came by for lunch and a good visit here at Heritage. They met my Scottish family and friend, Kae, and we had a marvelous time of fellowship. It was good to meet Bev. She has returned to Guyana and Tracy to her ministry back home in Pennsylvania.

An interesting letter from **Anna Austin Roberts** reminds us of a time at MWC when a shortage of professors made it necessary for some students to take courses in summer school for two years. She wonders if a record was kept of those particular students. Or were any of you included in those classes? We would like to put together such a list.

Carolyn Watts Quigley wrote of touring Africa and returning home for a big 50th anniversary celebration at Quigley Hall, St. Michael's in Orlando, Fla. Quigley Hall is so named to honor Carolyn's husband, "Quig."

Marie Kennedy Robins wrote of their exciting trip out West in May when the weather was perfect. "We took the train, as always, to New Orleans and stopped over in Houston to see old friends." A highlight was a visit to the *USS Texas*, sister ship to Hank's ship, *USS New York*, which is at the bottom of the ocean.

Nettie Evans announced the wedding, to be held in New York, of their youngest son. Nettie and Tom will be in New York City for the wedding. Nettie is planning to be at our reunion and encourages everyone to make the effort. "We almost always have a great turnout and, therefore, have a reputation with the administration. Let's not disappoint them."

The extended family of **Jane Trevvett Ford** has grown increasingly close in the three years since the parents who raised the girls died, and Rucker and Jane became parents and grandparents to the girls and their children. Jane wrote, "I am in my eighth month since shoulder surgery, only attempted two portraits, currently painting a life-sized view of new daughter, Lynn, for her husband." Jane is a member of the American Portrait Artists. "Rucker, at 80, and I, at 74, are plugging along with various golden-age aches and pains, but these past three years have been showered with love and attention from six children and 15 grandchildren. Truly, our cup runneth over!"

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Marjorie "Jerse" Storms Reddoch and husband Ruskin still live in Florida. Their nine grandchildren live in Florida, also, except for the one who is in college in Texas. The Reddochs follow the childrens' activities except for Amy Elizabeth Connor, who attended college in London for the fall quarter of her sophomore year as the Delta Airline International Collegiate Tennessee Independent College state winner. Amy was a student at Carson Newman College in Jefferson City, Tenn. "Ruskin and I attended his annual Marine unit's reunion in Louisville, Ky., in September. We spent our summer vacation in the Beech Mountain area of North Carolina in July. An added pleasure was a visit with my sophomore roommate, **Evelyn Appleton** '43, who has since moved to Ocala, Fla.

"Avid travelers, we went to Jamaica, Colombia, Panama and Costa Rica in March '97 by ship. In earlier years we traveled to the Virgin Islands, the Bahamas, Puerto Rico, Mexico, all the Scandinavian countries, Poland, Russia, Europe, the British Isles, Ireland, Italy, Greece, Spain and Morocco. Separate trips to Hawaii, Alaska, British Columbia and Alberta provinces were enjoyed celebrating our 50th anniversary in June 1995.

"It has been a happy, fruitful, 53 years since leaving MWC as a bride in 1945!"

Write soon!

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Our class is very saddened by the death of **Maurine Brevoort Seely**, who was to have been the coordinator for our 55th reunion. John, her husband, wrote that she passed away in April 1998 after a three-month effort to fight bone/lung cancer. She was very proud of being a graduate of MWC. Maurine was very active in many genealogical societies. She volunteered her time to help others do genealogical research in Torrance, Calif. Her husband, two sons, a daughter and one grandson survive her.

Kate Parker Hughes and husband George were hosted by their three children with a buffet reception following their marriage at the Norfolk Yacht and Country Club. Many MWC "girls" helped celebrate the occasion, including **Anne Ross Parks**, **Ellen Buchanan Scott**, **Jane Everett Tucker** and **Stella Vincent Rose Bartron**, all from the Class of '46, as well as **Grace Meade Parker** '40 and many other guests. **Marjorie Hatch Ritter** also wrote from Richmond that she and husband Fred celebrated their 50th in June. They have three children and five grandchildren, but Marjorie still finds time for aerobics, walking and occasionally dancing. She and Fred have traveled to Alaska, the Caribbean, Central America and Hawaii.

Margaret "Peggy" Chandler Findley wrote that she moved from Summit, N.J., to Cape Cod, Mass. Instead of retiring, Peggy has once again become involved with volunteering. She serves on the board of Nauset Newcomers, Cape Cod Hospital Auxiliary, Orleans Historical Society and several others. She has lived a very rewarding life.

Lois Coleman Bowman from Newport News has retired from the board of trustees of the Virginia Living Museum after 26 years of service. She and husband Ty are going to visit some new places this year: French Lick resort in Indiana, Cape Cod and maybe Alaska. They have one son, two daughters and three grandchildren.

Pat Mathewson Spring of Kensington, Conn., loves attending MWC reunion events. She attended the reunions in '97 and '98. She describes seeing Mrs. Dodd and Dean Alvey at the president's buffet. She also met many other interesting people and loved dancing at the Eagles Nest. She says she uses two things she learned at MWC: the warm-up exercises from Dr. Stewart's class in modern dance, which she does daily, and the cheese soufflé recipe from cooking class, which she has often — it's on the original recipe card. She also keeps in touch with **Jerry "Helen" Rasmussen Wallace**, who was her roommate at MWC. Pat still works as a reading consultant in the New Britain school and is also active in politics and family life.

After raising two daughters and being a church organist for 25 years, **Josephine Sorensen Barker** has begun volunteer work in organizing Summer Concerts in the Park. She has also been elected president of the Maryland Performing Arts Association. The greatest joy of her life is her 6-year-old granddaughter, Josephine Barker Rose.

Alyce Ginter Cobb has retired from 37 years of teaching in Virginia and now lives in Fort Myers, Fla. She has two sons, who are engineers. She visits Fredericksburg when she visits her son in Stafford and is amazed at the growth of MWC.

Beverley Beadles Jackson is very happy to report the births of twin grandchildren, Gina and Alexander, born in fine shape but prematurely. Beverley and husband Barnett have stayed with them several times. Barnett is doing fine now after a grave illness in 1995.

Virginia "Ginny" Oquist Cameron lost her husband, Doc, in 1992. She leads a very active life in Bradenton, Fla., just eight miles from the Gulf of Mexico and Tampa Bay. Her son, Jim, purchased a 37-foot sailboat, and Ginny has been learning to sail. She is very active and has just been elected Worthy Matron of her Eastern Star chapter. She has a constant companion in Bill, who is her worthy patron.

Carolyn Ford Duncan from Hamilton, Va., is very excited about her granddaughter, **Heidi Zirkle** '94, being accepted for graduate studies at Columbia U.

Dorothy "Dossie" Klenck Scott wrote a very happy letter about how she and **Millie Matula Allyn**, **Edythmae Lusby Johnson**, **Elaine Winstead Martin** and **Mary Lee Penn Van Winkle** all got together at Tarpon Springs, Fla., for a week of fun. They learned and played bridge, picked oranges, cooked meals together and did a lot of "smoozing." They have all become widows, raised their children, and now are celebrating the joy of being whole, happy women who once shared a suite at MWC back in 1942, 56 years ago.

Carlene Hall Massey and husband Charles have been married for 52 years. They have three very successful sons and five granddaughters. Carlene has retired from teaching after 31 years. She is regent of her DAR chapter and a 49-year member of Eastern Star.

Elaine "Sally" Heritage Jordan has just completed a two-week Alaskan cruise. "The beauty of the trip is just indescribable," Sally says. She enjoys many activities such as swimming, tennis, walking, and has many commitments to church while maintaining her good health. In summer '98, Sally took her daughter, daughter-in-law and three granddaughters for a 10-day tour of England, Wales and Ireland. She is looking forward to our 55th reunion.

Phyllis Costuma Derrick, who now lives in Kenosha, Wis., has retired from a great and varied real estate career. She has three sons, four grandchildren and a great-grandson. She has been active in volunteer work and is about ready to celebrate her golden wedding anniversary.

Ruth Boyer Rinker's life story was part of a feature about the Shenandoah Valley in the March *Southern Living* magazine. After graduation from MWC, Ruth was a home economics teacher at Stephens City near Winchester. She met and married Ray Rinker. They developed a 150-acre apple orchard, and when Ray died in 1973, Ruth and son Dudley took over the operation of the orchard. They have a pick-your-own policy and third-generation customers now come to the orchard. Ruth says that she has been exceedingly fortunate in her life and, I might add, in also managing a successful business and active community life.

Elizabeth Vaughan Pritchett participated in Elderhostels at Smith Mountain Lake in June and in the hill country of Texas in September. She also visited her daughter, Beth, and grandchildren in San José, Calif.

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Dear '48ers — those of you who attended reunion have now received your class photo. Could anyone identify everybody? I tried penciling in the blank provided but finally resorted to the *Battlefield* to jolt my memory, and even then I drew a blank here and there. It's great fun to have such a good reminder of our beautiful day together.

Jean Quillen St. Martin of Gate City kindly sent a lot of photos that her daughter had taken during the weekend. Both of her girls graduated from MWC, and so it is very much a part of their lives; she often comes back to the campus, reflecting on the "blood, sweat and tears endured there in chemistry and Latin classes." **Sarah Armstrong Worman** thoughtfully sent her snapshots to various women, which generated a fantastic batch of replies. **Mabs Royar Loflin** wrote that she would be going to Los Angeles to visit a new grandchild and would get together with Sarah. **Wickie Whitley Knight** planned to visit the Getty Museum last fall, and she, too, would contact Sarah.

Norvell Millner Hodges wrote that she enjoyed every minute of reunion and loved being skinny after all her "plump years." In Dr. Alvey's thank-you to Sarah for the picture presentation, he said he had been very touched by it and looked at it each day.

Since reunion, **Carol Byrd Williamson** has taken her granddaughter to Sarah's for a visit. Sarah anticipated cataract surgery in Phoenix last September, at which time she and **Cass Cassriel Whitman** would get together. **Nina Giera Schmidt** has moved to St. Petersburg, Fla. Her husband, Don, enjoyed the whole reunion scene.

Looking for some news, I called **Ashby Griffin Mitchell** and interrupted her watching Mark McGwire hitting his 61st home run. I hope she tuned in the next day for the record-breaker. She said she had given up on her roses for the year, as the dry weather and heat had been devastating.

We had a glorious 10 days at Lake Como, Italy, with our son and his family and then flew to England for three weeks. I understand we were there for the only decent weather all summer. It's very pleasant now to get back into a routine of volunteer work, university classes and workouts.

1950

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Kitty Keely Anagnost spends her time with her husband in two communities. In the summer months they are in Boothbay Harbor, Maine, and their primary home is in River Vale, N.J. She and James, who retired from American Cyanamid 10 years ago, have three surviving children and three grandchildren. Kitty's interests continue to be history, genealogy and art history, so she enjoys the Farnsworth Museum and the new Wyeth Center, which recently opened in Rockland, Maine.

Elizabeth "Betty" Turner Jones has settled in Mt. Pleasant, S.C., after living on both coasts as a Navy wife, and this is her 35th house since she married in '51. Her husband, "Captain Sam," died in '89. Fortunately, they had been well-established in Mt. Pleasant, so she had a wonderful support group. Betty has been a real estate agent and was director of Navy Family Service Center. She retired in '92, but when Meals on Wheels needed a director, she took on that challenge. Now she is fully retired but is involved with MOW board of directors. She is happy to say that she and roommates **Nancy Fox Sease** and **Nancy Herring Stuart** have remained very close through the years, and Nancy H. spends a month near her at Kiawah Island in the winter. **Peggy Penn Hutchins** and her husband visited in winter '97. Betty's dearest friend in Mt. Pleasant is **Mary Lou Vollmer Cloar** '49 — they sat at the same table junior year. Gardening, water aerobics and traveling take up a great deal of time in Betty's life — her three children live "all over," and her three grandchildren add that special spice to her life. Having had a five-year-old knee injury, Betty was "buying a new knee" in July '98 and was hoping to get to our 50th in good shape.

In Arden, N.C., **Mary Lyne Kucera Morrissey** wrote of her doings since she attended our 35th reunion. Tom retired from sheriffing in December '86, and they bought an RV so they could do some traveling and spend most winters in Florida. They have gotten together with **Connie Metzger Verlander** and Joe several times. In September '98 they were planning an eight-week jaunt "across the fruited plains." Their sons are scattered, but one lives two doors down from them and is deputy sheriff. They sold their big, old home and built a one-floor, very open, steel-frame house on lots they had next door. They have been incorporated into the city of Asheville and would love to show off their town to any visitors.

Shirley Cole Schleter in Kitty Hawk reports her hip is coming along fine, and she's gotten back on the golf course. Water aerobics has become the exercise of the season. Son Chris continues to do a lot of traveling in connection with his Olympics job — he went around the world in 16 days in March '98.

Anticipating retirement, **Carol Bailey Miller** and Bill have been considering relocating away from Loudoun County, Va. It is a serious decision, after having lived there for 30-plus years, so nothing is final yet. Carol continues to work full time and judges many horse shows in several states.

Martha Carr Huddleston went through Sea Tac Airport in July '98 after her Alaska cruise. **Nat Wilton** met her there, and they had a great visit, picking up right where they left off 19 years ago in Virginia. **Gerry Boswell Griffin** and Dave decided to spend some traveling money on home construction during '98.

Fredericksburg Times magazine, edited by **Barbara Malone Crookshanks,** won the 1998 Virginia Press Women's Communications Contest first place award for black-and-white or spot color, general or specialized magazines. Barbara also won four other awards: second place for humorous column, "Fred's Page", and third place for calendar of events, special articles on travel, and special articles and/or reviews.

1952

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It's less than four years until our 50th. Hope many of you are making plans to be at MWC for the festivities.

Some of my gleanings from various sources include: **Mary Ann Jones Beard** and Billy spent two weeks in the spring visiting their son, Mark, in Carmel, Calif. And then Billy and Mary Ann returned home and attended their 50th high-school reunions at two high schools in Norfolk. **Dot Maynard Power** is well after a trip to the hospital. She retired, but I imagine she's having a busy time with her seven grandchildren. **Jean Amis Hill** often visits her daughter and family in Roanoke.

Claire Sindlinger de Groot and Ward spent a leisurely two weeks on St. Croix in March. Claire recently saw **Candy Crittenton Somerville**. Candy delights in working in her woodland gardens. **Charlotte Adams Harrell** has a sister-in-law, **Beverly Harrell Struthers** '53, who lives a block from her. After Charlotte's last surgery, Beverly visited her daily with a Slurpee to cheer her. Charlotte wrote that she saw **Nancy Parker Richardson** at a Grandparents Day program at a school on the Eastern Shore. To quote Charlotte, "Nancy really looked great and sounded just like she did 45 years ago!" A few of our many retired teachers from Norfolk include **Diana Buckwalter, Kathryn Orem Proescher**, and **Margaret "Mockie" Rawls Bachtell**. Mockie was the head of the math department at Norfolk Collegiate School; she has four grandchildren.

Mimi Bruce McCombie found **Frances "Westy" Westwood Wright Doyle**, who attended MWC for three years. She and Mimi are in the same book club. Mimi also mentioned that she and her husband are going to France for a few weeks.

A number of classmates in Northern Virginia went to their 50th high-school class reunions: **Mary Ribble Cranwell**, retired in 1994, now serves as historian of League of Alexandria Symphony Orchestra and has two sons, one of whom is an MWC graduate; **Elizabeth "Libby" Stevens Mills** attended her reunion in Wayland, N.Y. Libby's father lived with her in his later years and related much family history to her. He died in 1996 at age 95. Libby and Ralph have four children and six grandchildren. Their daughter, **Carol,** graduated from MWC. **Evelyn Roeder Pammel** and **Elaine Nader Powell** visited **June Wilkerson Land** and Frank in their Virginia Beach home last summer. Elaine and Jim were traveling to Lake Winnipesaukee, N.H., where her classmates were holding their reunion for a high school in Massachusetts. **Anne Smith Harman** and Fred attended her reunion in Grundy, Va., in June. **Carolyn Arrington Smith** was also there. Anne and Fred spend summers in Fairfax and winters in Florida.

John and I spent two delightful weeks on Malta in May with 27 Elderhostelers.

1954

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There is not much news for our class, but keep in mind that we will soon be celebrating our 45th reunion from Mary Washington College.

Lois Graff Reiser celebrated her father-in-law's 100th birthday in Jersey City, N.J. We had the Willis reunion, so we were not able to go to the festivities.

1956

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1958

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From Betty Williams:

A letter from **Nancy Seward Howard** was most welcome. Nancy has a very busy life in the Adirondacks, where four years ago she and husband Norman became the managing owners of The Wawbeek on Upper Saranac Lake, a year-round Great Camp resort on 40 acres with more than a dozen lodging buildings overlooking the lake and mountains beyond. Norman is also assistant professor of hotel and restaurant management at SUNY Plattsburgh. Nancy reads with bemusement of the retirement activities of so many of our colleagues — "I have never been more into a career." Aside from volunteering in libraries — presently at the Saranac Lake Free Library — Nancy took on the presidency of the Tupper Lake Chamber of Commerce in winter 1997. Last summer they managed to have all three grown children working there at one point.

1962

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Cynthia Snyder and the folks at the alumni office did a great job in getting out the Class of 1962 "Epistle." Thanks for all the complimentary comments. It was fun to do it and it is such a treat to receive letters, notes, e-mail or calls from you. Keep the news coming!

Marilyne Schulman Rafal writes from Virginia Beach that she and Ed Jay are the proud grandparents of Ashley, 17 months, and Austin, 3 months. "They are perfection … and are the children of our daughter, Dana. Our son Adam is an attorney and has been practicing for two years. He just joined his father's law firm." Marilyne writes that she and her husband enjoy traveling and have done so extensively all over the world.

Marilyne keeps in touch with **Judi Bernstein Pressman,** who wrote from Chattanooga, Tenn., that she and Irvin celebrated their 35th wedding anniversary on a visit to Europe the same time as our 35th reunion, which precluded her joining us. Judi and Irvin have two children, Scott and Pam. Pam is married to an attorney in the Los Angeles area, and they have Lindsey, 4, "who is the love of our lives. We try to see them every six to eight weeks. You can imagine what my frequent flyer miles are like." Scott is a corporate travel agent in Atlanta — close enough to meet for lunch occasionally. Judi wrote, "My life is great. I play golf as often as possible, and we do a lot of traveling now that the kids are grown."

Carol Shiflet Hansen writes from Lantana, Fla., in response to my query in the 35th reunion book that "Steiffs are German mohair animals," and she sent me a picture of the cute little critters. Carol visits her mother in Waynesboro, Va., several times a year and said that she and her husband met **Donna Henninger Henderson** and hubby at the VPI vs. U. Miami game in '97.

Louise Couch Girvin wrote from Menlo Park, Calif., that last summer she and husband John went on a Princess Cruise to Alaska. Husband John is talking about retiring so that they can return to Kentucky to be nearer their daughters, Michele and Jeanette, and their families, but Louise writes: "I will believe it when the movers are lined up." Louise is very active in her church and was involved in church activities assisting the Billy Graham Crusade that ran in her area.

Rebecca Blevins Faery '76 wrote from Cambridge, Mass., "I've been teaching writing and literature at the college level for 20 years now. I earned a mid-life Ph.D. in American literature at the U. of Iowa, and I'm teaching now in the freshman writing program at Harvard." Rebecca is actively writing and has had several essays published in literary journals. Further, she is working on a book of essays on the Vietnam war.

Rebecca wrote that she is long-divorced from the man who persuaded her to leave MWC to marry before graduating, but that she has wonderful Annemarie, a critical-care nurse in Iowa City, Iowa, and equally wonderful Rick, an international trade attorney in Chicago, Ill. Rebecca is happily married to Bill Nowysz, a "wonderfully talented architect." Bill's business is in Iowa City, and Rebecca's classes are in Cambridge, Mass., so both "collect a lot of frequent flyer miles." Rebecca keeps in touch with **Maggie Walker MacAllister** and **Dona Henninger Henderson** and has a renewed connection to MWC via her niece, **Laura Blevins**, a freshman.

Emyl Jenkins Sexton wrote from Danville, Va., "The best thing that has happened in months is having a visit from Bob and **Susy Booth Thurber**." Emyl is deeply involved in caring for her 87- and 93-year-old parents — a situation that many of us can relate to. She has been involved in a number of Discovery Channel segments for "Home Matters," which were aired last fall.

Jane Walshe McCracken e-mailed from Carlsbad, Calif., that the new granddaughter, Caitlin Olivia, was christened in October, and that the McCracken family portrait has expanded from the original five to 12. Jane and Jay moved to Tustin, Calif., after they sold the sports-card business. Jane now works for Weight Watchers and is living proof of successful results by adhering to their program. She hopes to become a substitute teacher in Tustin.

Helen Alexion James wrote from Virginia Beach that she and Gus have sold their house and are in a rental until their new house is completed. Helen, **Emily Lewis** and I were all together for the first time since we were "roomies" at MWC at our 40th high-school reunion last August. Gus and Helen are in the midst of building a new house in Virginia Beach. Emily and Tony will move to their dream house in the Blue Ridge Mountains, near Swanannoah, Va., in two years when Tony retires.

Jeannine "Jeannie" Sorce Smith wrote from Hurt, Va., where she and husband Al have a 70-acre farm and raise beef cattle. Al is a retired teacher and coach but continues to teach part time at the local community college in Lynchburg. Jeannie teaches nurse-assistant classes at the vocational school in nearby Campbell County. She finds teaching rewarding most of the time but plans to retire herself in four years. Jeannie and Al enjoy traveling in the summer months and celebrated their 35th wedding anniversary last summer on a Caribbean cruise. This coming summer they will travel to the British Isles for three weeks. Jeannie and Al have two sons, Paul, a policeman and canine officer with the local police department, and Mike, who lives with his wife in Charlotte, N.C.

Joyce Wright Green, in Columbia, S.C., and her husband have two children: Glen, who lives in nearby Cayce and is a project manager, and daughter Erin, who is a student at the U. of Wyoming. Joyce teaches nursing at Central Carolina College in Sumter, S.C. She is a certified perinatal and medical-surgical nurse.

Diana Copple Smith visited us at the beach in early October. She teaches English-as-a-Second-Language to adult students and is a devoted hiker, biker, camper, swimmer, etc. Diana had a great visit with **Pat Barrack Gibson** in Charleston, S.C., in November 1997, and she and daughter Amy had a wonderful after-Christmas reunion near Wytheville, Va. Diana is continuing her advanced Spanish language studies.

Sue Lukehart Hallden is back home and growing stronger with every passing day. Hubby Alan teases her by saying that he knows she is much better in that she has started to "direct" household activities again. Sue would love to hear from all of you.

A quick note from **Joan Akers Rothgeb** stated that she'd recently spoken with **Sue Katz Lieberman**. Katz had just returned from a New Hampshire trip and was looking forward to her son's wedding several weeks later. Joan and Eddie keep busy on weekends attending antique shows and sales as Eddie seeks out antique toys to add to his growing collection.

Lucy Ritter Todd sent word that she'd moved to Bastrop, Texas, where she and her husband have purchased a 100-year-old house, which Lucy feels will keep her busy when she retires from state government next January. Joan and Eddie saw **Barbara Schwab Jesser** and husband Bill during the '97 Christmas holiday. Barbara and Bill's son was getting married last August. I saw Barbara's parents in Waynesboro last March, and they reported that Barb and Bill again planned to spend part of the summer in South Africa, where Bill would do some teaching.

Judy Wolfe Allen and **Kay Mizell Heppinstill** are enjoying delving into the mysteries of the Internet. Judy mentioned that **Susy Booth Thurber** took a trip to China.

Louise Dunn Fuqua wrote of the wonderful trip she and husband Tom took across the western part of the United States in fall '97 in "Tommy's BIG RED truck!" Louise stated that she never tired of the majestic scenery they saw en route — although her backside protested! Her two sons were home for the '97 Thanksgiving holiday, and Louise was busy with rehearsals for the Christmas Chorale Concert performances. She later wrote that **Sandra Cox Jones** is now the proud granny of Jacob Emory Jones as of December 1997.

Nellie Peyronnet Drew sent Louise pictures of her second daughter's recent wedding. Other news from Louise: **Coleman Hankins Arnold** is looking forward to her son's graduation from college — she also has a daughter who is a student at U.Va. **Pauline Womack Spencer** and husband Bill spent Christmas '97 with both daughters in Richmond, Va., and the two of them enjoyed later trips to the North Carolina beach; Williamsburg, Va.; and Charleston and Savannah. One daughter returned to Charleston in the summer to take a faculty position at the Medical U. of S.C. in the pharmacy department. Of the other daughter, Pauline wrote, "My San Diego girl still enjoys living there! Neither one is married."

Mary Ann Sills Marks was kind enough to send me **Ella Waller Nargele**'s address and to confirm that **Linda Barwick Jurcich** still resides in Alexandria, Va.

Adrienne Ames finished her nursing degree at U.Va. after leaving MWC. She was in Atlanta for many years after finishing her master's at Vanderbilt in Nashville, Tenn. She moved back to Nashville and has been at Vanderbilt for 21 years. She has taken many wonderful trips over the years. She keeps in touch with **Lori Chermak Barry**, who lives in California.

Katherine "Kitty" Gary Herrmann, who married husband Bob 16 years ago, has two children, Rob Gallagher and Jill Gallagher Unferth. Rob lives and works in San Diego; Jill lives in NYC with her husband and is employed by Deutsche Bank-Morgan Grenfell. Of herself, Kitty writes that she spent "several years as a computer programmer/systems analyst, then several years selling computer applications for GE to the Navy… several years as a high-tech headhunter. Since '95, a travel agent specializing in Great Britain and Ireland." She is in the process of being

certified as a Master Scots Counselor by the Scottish Tourist Board. She said that all of the travel was directly traceable to the English history course Dr. Lindsey taught at MWC.

Sue Katz Lieberman e-mailed a hilarious account of the infestation of various "critters" who had attempted to take up residence in their house in Deal, N.J. — squirrel in the kitchen exhaust fan, a mama raccoon in the chimney, plus field mice, who thought the Lieberman domicile would make a nifty condo. Son Jim and his Beth had a lovely wedding in November '97.

Julia Scumaker Bailess wrote a quick note to report that her oldest son, Rob, is employed by the DEA. **Leah Elliott Cooter** wrote: "My husband, Guy, and I have retired and made the big move back home to Danville, Va., after being in Richmond for 33 years." They have two sons, David, an attorney in Charlotte, N.C., and Steven, married and in his third year of medical school at MCV. "This move puts us between the two of them — a good position, we hope!"

Emily Riker Seaver confirmed how very happy she and husband Tony are in Steamboat Springs, Colo. She wrote that **Susy Booth Thurber** and her family were to visit last winter for skiing. **Emily Lewis** and hubby Tony Andres were back home in Waynesboro, Va., in early March '98 to help Emily's mother celebrate her 80th at a surprise party that she and her brother and sisters sprang on the unsuspecting birthday girl.

Ann Sykes Lyons wrote from Springfield, Va., that when she left MWC, she went to MCV in the physical therapy program. She was in the class with **Helen Alexion**, **Nancy Tanner** and **Noralee Stark**. Ann has been married for 31 years to Steve Lyons, whom she met through **Joan Akers Rothgeb** when they shared a Richmond apartment. Steve works for the Justice Department, and Ann runs a home-based special education products business, which spun out of her many years of physical therapy work in the Fairfax County school system, her last physical therapy job. They have two sons, Stephen and Jim. Stephen works as a minor-league pitching coach for the Cleveland Indians, and Jim is in law school at the U. of Texas.

Marcia Kirstein Fitzmaurice and Ed flew out to visit their daughter and son-in-law in their new Bethesda, Md., home. While in the area, they drove to Fredericksburg and toured campus. Later news from Marcia brought the disturbing news that Ed had undergone emergency bypass surgery in mid-May. Thankfully, the problem was detected early, and Ed is doing well.

Beverley Sulpice Persell sent news that she is finally able to use her language training at her "perfect for her" 20-hours-per-week job with a French Telecom company. Bev and Bob went to St. Lucia in early March, and Bev wrote, "It's the best vacation we ever had. We went snorkeling for the first time in 25 years, showered in a waterfall and did a lot of boating." Bev and **Betsey-Ellen Hueston Hansen** get together often for lunch, and they keep in touch by e-mail. Betsey is divorced and lives in Stafford — son Eric and daughter Kristen and her family also live in the area, and Betsey's widowed mother lives with her. Betsey works at the MWC Writing Center and is the Class Notes editor for *MWC TODAY*. She keeps in touch with her MWC roommate, **Mary Hatcher** '61, who is retired from the IRS, lives in Wilmington, N.C., and travels often. Mary drove to Stafford in early November '98, and Mary, Betsey and friends drove to Charlottesville to enjoy the autumn colors and gather apples. Mary drove, since Betsey was recovering from recent gallbladder surgery.

Maggie Walker McAllister sent the happy news that she and Mac are expecting grandchild #5 in July — a little girl. **Mary Wolfe "Wolfie" Maddrey Isenhour** recently oversaw a very successful inaugural homes tour at Emerald Isle to benefit the local library. Wolfie keeps in touch with **Lois Hartman**, who had recently returned from a long stint nursing her mother after she had fallen and broken her back. Lois promised to visit Wolfie next summer. Wolfie and Bob hosted Jerry and me in their very sturdy house during the drubbing that Hurricane Bonnie gave eastern North Carolina. We came through the storm with very little damage, but everyone in this region devoutly hopes that no future storms will decide to pay us a call!

As for me, grandchild #3 — a girl — arrived last June. Wedding plans progressed smoothly for our son's wedding in October to his Amy. As our family is far-flung, this occasion was a wonderful opportunity for my sisters, Jerry's brothers and all their families to assemble for a real reunion party!

Please note my correct mailing address. Since it is a proven fact that "the memory is the first to go," please include your maiden name in any correspondence. Thanks!

1964

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From Frances:

After being a foreign language teacher for over 30 years, I am enjoying my second year of retirement. I am regent of the DAR, a member of the board of the Halifax/South Boston Mental Health Association, and a member of the advisory board of Lake Country Area Agency on Aging. I really enjoyed teaching, but it is so nice to have time for myself.

Martha Coates has been visiting in the South Boston area for an extended period due to the illness and death of her father. Martha's son is an architect and lives in Raleigh, and her granddaughter looks just like her. Martha is a retired social worker in Irvington, N.Y.

Estelle Rountree McCarthy has retired from teaching at Union Theological Seminary/ Presbyterian School of Christian Education. She and husband Charles live in Richmond but travel extensively. **Alma Geibelt** '65, an attorney, has moved with her son, Chris, to Northern Virginia.

Sandra Bossuot Wainright and husband Bill live in Richmond. Sandy has first-grade twin granddaughters, who are adorable. They have twin American Girls dolls, Molly and her little-known twin sister, Holly. Holly also got glasses when her little guardian got her glasses.

Frances Grafton is recuperating at home following a stroke. She would love to hear from you. I saw a fabulous picture of **Barbara Kellum Latham**, her husband and their two daughters, Kate and Sara. Everyone in the family looked so totally physically fit! Barbara and Roger have done quite a bit of traveling — to Geneva, Vienna, the Burgundy region of France, etc. Their daughters are both involved in exciting careers. Barbara says that **Ginny Luca Shearin**'s son, **Jeff**, has a master's degree from MWC, and her daughter, Jenny, is about to finish a master's degree at George Mason.

Sandy Marsteller Provine is employed by the Department of Defense at Fort Campbell, Ky. She lives in Clarksville, Tenn., a community just south of Fort Campbell. Sandy wrote that **Kathy Chambers Marshall** died in April 1996 of viral pneumonia. She lived in Saratoga, Calif., with her husband, Norman. They had three children. **Janet Davis Edson** has moved to Fredericksburg, where she is renovating the old gas building to be used as her primary residence.

1966

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E-mail correspondence has really simplified this job!

Annette Maddra Horner responded with a newsy note from Wynnewood, Pa., — she is still living in the Philadelphia area and is working with a management firm that provides operations management and training services to the pharmaceutical industry. She is in her 12th year with the company, which has grown from a professional staff of five to 120! Annette's two daughters, Alison and Rachel, are grown now. Alison lives and works in Winston-Salem, N.C., doing marketing and customer support for a small manufacturing company. Rachel has transferred to U. of Wisconsin as a junior, having spent a year living and working in Olympia, Wash. Annette and husband John welcome any MWC classmates traveling in their area to take advantage of their spare guest rooms.

Kathleen Goddard Moss, who lives in Alexandria, Va., reports that her news is all about grandchildren, as two of her adopted daughters have had babies this year. Granddaughter Jamie is in California and grandson Quentin is in Ohio, near Kathleen's biological daughter. Although they're not close, Grandma has managed to visit and help out. Kathleen continues to work as a therapist specializing in attachment and adoption issues with a new job as executive director of ATTACH, an association of parents and therapists concerned with attachment issues. Although the work is supposed to be part time, Kathleen keeps busy full time!

Sandy Hutchison Hoybach visited daughter Amy in Denver, Colo., last fall and was totally impressed with the Rocky Mountains. Amy works, studies for her B.S.N., and looks forward to a career in nursing. Son Ricky owns and operates a successful landscaping company, and son Brandon is planning a move to Texas. Sandy is still assistant manager for a software company in Reston, Va., plays bridge regularly, swims with aqua-aerobics and provides a central gathering place for her large extended family.

Betsy Chappelear Tryon is proud to announce that daughter Maureen is now Mrs. Aaron Cardenas, after a beautiful wedding on Catalina Island in September. Since Betsy teaches year-round school in Los Angeles, her fall break gave her ample time to prepare and enjoy the occasion. With Maureen and Aaron living and working in the L.A. area and son Frank also nearby, Betsy happily keeps her growing family intact.

Linda Spangler Berkheimer has been so busy keeping her year-old grandson that she can't remember when she last wrote us. She did take time out, however, to meet with **Penny Partridge Booth** '65 to browse the Frederick antique shops. Penny has a busy schedule with the Baltimore County school system but has opened a couple of antique stalls to support her antiquing habit. Spang and husband Phil met with Charlie and **Mary Kathryn Rowell Horner** last May to see "Showboat" in Washington, D.C., the week before Mary Kathryn traveled to England for her annual visit with Charlie's cousins. In September, Spang and Phil went for Sunday brunch

with Dick and **Liz Almy Davis** to Hotel Hershey in Hershey, Pa. Daughter Betsy has joined Legg Mason as a financial officer in the Frederick office, where Phil has worked for 20 years. Spang hopes they can arrange a team approach at work which will result in longer vacations.

Barbara Bishop Mann proudly served as a delegate to the NEA convention in New Orleans last July. Her mother joined her there for a short vacation, and according to **Ginny Bateman Brinkley**, who was also there, Bobbi's mom kept them entertained and had all the hotel workers and wait staff eating out of her hand. Bobbi was busy representing her constituents, and Ginny was exhibiting her books written for pregnant teens, but they had a great time together. Later in the summer, Bobbi and husband Bob visited relatives in Greensboro, N.C., and Toronto, Canada, before Bobbi returned to the classroom to face a new series of textbooks. Bobbi says her retirement date depends on which day you ask her — maybe soon, maybe not!

Ginny's other news included her witnessing the birth of her son's baby girl, Brittany Rebecca, in July. Brett and family have since moved to Jacksonville, so Ginny's first biological grandchild is now nearby, and she can do some serious baby-sitting. She completed a scuba diving class with her 12-year-old grandson and is now enjoying that sport. Another triumph was her signing 250 of her books in San Antonio at a book fair sponsored by her publisher, Avery Publishing. Ginny and Bill are adding on to their lake house with the idea of retiring there in the not-too-distant future, and Ginny loves shopping for new furniture for it. Ginny's oldest son, Scott, was to receive his degree from Stetson Law School in December, specializing in employment law, and they both anticipate his working with a big firm in Tampa.

Hank and I continue to enjoy running the business, sharing activities with all the family, taking short trips to visit friends and relatives, and increasing our expertise on our computer.

Thanks for sending your news.

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After three years as our class agent, **Susie Duffey DiMaina** has passed the torch to me. Her columns were always information-packed and fun to read. I'm looking forward to receiving a lot of mail with your individual updates.

Gabby Pagin Ficklin gave a big party at her Northern Virginia home in June. Susie attended, along with **Tina Kormanski Krause** and husband, and **Kathy O'Neill Argiropoulos** and husband. Those Northern Virginia girls do a good job of staying in touch!

Ellen Grace Jaronczyk and husband vacationed in England early last summer. **Debby White Orsi** travels a lot, too, mostly in search of the best European ski slope. She's still working in the pulmonary functions area at MCV and has since graduation. No one can accuse her of being a "job hopper." **Susan Evans Opdycke** can be found at the Boatwright Library at the U. of Richmond, and **Judy Winston** still resides in her lovely house in the Fan District of Richmond. **Lynn Lovell Mitchell** is working as a nurse. She'll never have to complain about commuting, since she and her husband live six blocks from the hospital in Athens, Pa.

I had a great time lunching with Susie and **Elaine Wilson Maloney** on one of my trips to the Washington, D.C., area. Elaine is an elementary school librarian. **Barbara Forgione Tansy** is planning her daughter's wedding. **Nan Hopkinson DeSorrento** has one son at the Naval Academy, one in college in New York and two left at home. We had a fun catch-up session in Vienna, Va., not too long ago. We were suitemates for all four years at MWC.

Carol LaMonica Clark and Ted have relocated to the Boone, N.C., area. Their Florida home on the water sounded lovely, but they had some devastating problems after a hurricane and opted for a mountain hideaway. She'll be a lot closer, and it will be easier for her to make reunions.

My younger brother is engaged to marry the younger sister of our classmate, **Donna Brown Coe**. Small world! Donna and I have seen each other only once since this romance started, but I'm sure that I'll be seeing a lot more of her. Should I introduce Donna as "my sister-in-law's sister with whom I graduated in 1970?" Too wordy?

Any information you can send regarding lost classmates will be greatly appreciated. Also, include your e-mail address if you have one. I'm finding it a great tool for quick and frequent communications.

1972

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No news this time. Surely you can drop me a note! Yes, it will be old news by the time you see it in print, but that is better than no news!

1978

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Hello everyone! **Martha "Happy" Clark Scala** is in Palo Alto, Calif., with husband Bill. She is a psychotherapist specializing in drug/alcohol addictions and grief/loss. **Susan Brooks Gasplah** is a first-grade teacher in Atlantic City, N.J., and she has been teaching ballet for 10 years. She's co-president of the Alpha Delta Kappa-Gamma chapter. She and Jon have a son, Brooks. **Seth Brown** is the vice president/controller for Orbital Science Corp., Fairchild Defense. He and Maryann have two children.

Jinx Miriamig Bediguian is an operating room registered nurse at the Jersey Shore Medical Center in Belnar, N.J. **Ginna Holland Cochran** lives with husband Bob and their two children, in Glen Allen, Va. She is very involved with her children's activities. **Gail Story Upton** lives in Oklahoma City with Michael and their three children. She is the vice president for LifeWork Strategies, Inc. I had the opportunity to talk with Gail at reunion, and she said that the bombing has made a close community even closer. The outpouring of love, help and prayers has been astonishing.

Eileen Wiles Sateriale lives in Bowie, Md., and is a part-time computer teacher and free-lance writer. She and Ken have two children. She is involved in Girl Scouts, traveling, gardening, knitting and a host of other hobbies. **Abby Omans Lutz** lives in Springfield, Va., with Erwin and their four children. She is involved in Girl Scouting, camping and outdoor activities, among other things. How can she sit still with four kids?

Winona Schlam Siegmund is a teacher in Stafford County, Va. She and Don have two children. Nonie was at reunion and hasn't changed a bit! **Margaret Snellings Niemann** lives in Fredericksburg, Va., and works in the land development division for VDOT. She reviews plans for sites from preliminary stage to final construction for commercial and residential development.

Linda Meeker Young says she is still a beach bum. She lives in Pennsylvania Furnace, Pa., where she is a real estate agent. She and David have two children. **Peggy Melanson** lives in Alexandria, Va., and is a contracting officer for Army Communications Electronic Command. **Margaret Tillery Bell** is a church organist and private piano teacher in Farmington Hills, Mich. She and Douglas have three children.

Tina Trotta lives in Dudley, Mass., where she is a home health aide for Catholic Charities. She has been playing and performing for the past seven years in her own classic rock band. She is studying in the field of alternative medicine and working toward her own consulting practice. She has two children.

Linda Stango Paquette and Mike are in Sound Beach, N.Y., with their four children. She is a pre-school teacher and stays involved with her kids. **Vicki Hagy** lives in Fredericksburg and is an EAP counselor for United Healthcare. She and John have three children. **Nancy Copeland Taylor** lives in King George, Va., where she is a principal programmer for Lockheed Martin Corporation. She and Heath have three children. She volunteers at school and enjoys reading and needlework.

1980

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Greetings classmates! I received a card announcing the publication of a book by **Pamela Troutman Grant**. It's titled *The Fairfax Ferret* and is a story about a young boy, allergic to cats and dogs, who discovers that a ferret makes the perfect pet. Pamela lives in Springfield, Va.

Kit Givens Burns and husband Howie love living in Smithfield, Va., and are being kept busy by their two beautiful boys. **Nancy LaClair Stults**, in Cary, N.C., wrote that it was hard for them to leave Atlanta, Ga., but husband Larry was offered a great new job. He is the in-house senior patent counsel for Novartis Crop Protection Inc., working with scientists at the Agricultural Biotechnology Research Center. Since the move, Nancy has been enjoying time with her two children. She has done some consulting work for her former biotechnology company, Sealite Sciences, and says she can envision going back to work, hopefully part time, in the near future.

I was pleasantly surprised by a note from **Cheryl McKay Comes**, who lives in the upper west side of Manhattan. She left purchasing at Philip Morris to enter the corporate affairs world in their trade and business relations area. She said the change has kept her very busy, but she's enjoying it. **Linda Ellen Jones** still teaches at

Alfred U. in New York. She had recently returned from a week-long conference in France. She was also getting ready for a visit from Cheryl, who was coming from NYC for the weekend. Linda keeps in touch with **Jane Roman**, who lives in White Plains, N.Y., works for Bayer Pharmaceutical and is also a jazz musician.

When I spoke to **Amy Hauck Newman** in August at her home in Phoenix, Md., she had a house full of guests from Great Britain. She sounded busy but happy and was looking forward to a vacation at the Outer Banks of North Carolina, where she would be joined by her parents. Amy reported that her three children were well and enjoying their summer vacation. Amy works for the National Institute on Drug Abuse, where she is a research chemist.

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From David:

Thank you all for the great response I received for this winter's Class Notes.

Kudos go to the "Pickles Gang" for keeping up their own MWC reunion each year and for supplying me with so much of the following information.

Claudia Kersenbrock came from Melbourne, Fla., for the get-together. **Tina Sawanobori Fredo** has been busy for the past two years telecommuting from Colorado. She works for NASA on the Hubble Space Telescope. **Jackie Turk Epling** returned to full-time teaching in Spotsylvania. Jackie, already certified as a French teacher, teaches Spanish. **Lynne Ballard Lansford** is tutoring Spanish from home in Fredericksburg and keeping an eye on her four children. Both Lynne and **Michelle Arbogast Behrens** participated in **Jane Coleman Campbell**'s wedding. Jane and husband Steve are in Richmond. Jane works part time and spends time having fun with her new son. **Kathy Harris Hutchinson** lives nearby in Stafford and stays home to care for five children — all girls! **Pam Johnson Jemmison** lives in the Virginia Beach area. **Patti Barry** works for CVS in Bethlehem, Pa.

Caroline Lankford is at Radford U. earning a master's in counseling. **Jane Shawn Arbogast** is working on her master's in education at Mary Baldwin College in Staunton, Va. **Mary Cleary** and her husband, Vipul Doshi, are in grad school at George Mason U. in Fairfax, Va. They were married last June. **Katherine Spivey Hecht** and **Jill Stapleton Devine** were in attendance. The newlyweds attended a post-wedding reception held by the groom's family in Calcutta, India!

Cindy Greer Chalkley and her husband, son and 6-year-old twins live in Jacksonville, N.C. Cindy is juggling family and work at the morale, welfare, and recreation department at Camp Lejeune. **Rose Marie Finney Sniffin**, along with her husband and daughter, will be joining other classmates who live outside of Virginia. She will settle in Fayetteville, N.C., after returning from Germany. It was good to hear from **James Miller** in Texas. He, wife Amy and two daughters have been in Dallas for over 10 years. James is the customer relations manager for IBM, southwest territory.

It's good to know so many classmates are nearby, even if we don't get to see each other! **Daphne Goodyear Dudek** and her husband, **Jim Dudek** '85, live in Stafford County. Shortly after graduation, Daphne taught at Stafford Elementary. She is now a stay-home mom with her two girls. **Dan Steen**, **Anne Thompson Steen** '83 and their two children are still in Arlington. Dan is practicing law and lobbying with Reed Smith in downtown Washington, D.C. Still active in politics, Dan is on the board of directors of the D.C. bar association and is chairman of the fiscal affairs commission of Arlington County. Dan has also been managing the race for the chairman of the Arlington school board. **Jim Emory**, who works at the Department of the Treasury, and wife Kathleen are in Herndon. Jim and Kathleen are expecting their fourth child.

Angela Ciuccio Bond, husband **Rick Bond** '82 and their four children are in Bowie, Md. They recently celebrated their 15th wedding anniversary. **Mickey Houck** and wife Ginger are still in Fredericksburg. Mickey celebrated his 13th year of working at Dahlgren. **Lois Walthall Murdaugh** began teaching sixth grade in Spotsylvania last fall. **Linda Lemanski Blakemore** of Fredericksburg ran in the Marine Corps Marathon. **Darnell Horio DeMasters** is hard at work in Washington, D.C., lobbying for Wisconsin Electric and Power.

LaVonda Simpson is still in Richmond facing the challenges of a new job as quality control senior auditor with Charter One Mortgage, and she is the source of much of this Class Notes information. Her MWC roommate, **Becky Rooks O'Farrell**, is a graphic artist supervisor with Capitol One. Becky and her family built a new home in the Richmond area.

Have a great year!

1986

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Please note the new address — I have taken the plunge and moved to Maryland, where I accepted a position with the law firm of Brown, Diffenderffer, Wagonheim & Kearney, LLP. So far, so good, as other classmates like **Mina Holden Horn**, **Brenda Thier Evans** and **Irene Thomaidis** have assisted with the transition. Irene, **Ann Stack Bartenstein**, **Kristi Williams McCune** and I had a little September get-together at Irene's new house in Richmond's Fan District. Kristi, who recently joined Dominion Capital, and husband Stokes are expecting their third child in early February 1999. **Stephanie Doswald Sebolt**, who teaches ESL in Roanoke County, Va., and I got together for a visit in Salem, Va. **Brenie Matute de Clamer** and her girls live in Tegucigalpa, Honduras.

Kim Mears packed her bags for a new destination — Florida, where she will be working for Boeing. **Catalina Parada** is director of marketing for the Alter Group, a commercial real estate developer in Chicago. John Hummel, who reported that life was quiet in Southern California where he works at UCLA, and his wife were ex-pecting their first child, a girl, in September 1998. **Michelle Runge**, our world traveler, has been spending a lot of work-related time in Asia, where she discovered that scuba diving in the Philippine Islands is amazing. Michelle planned a November 1998 trip back to the Philippines. **Mary Ellen Phelan Landis**, who moved to Rochester, Mich., is looking for any MWC alumni in the Michigan area.

Please send your news — we need to hear from more of you!

1988

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Despite the heat, those who attended the 10-year reunion from the Class of '88 had a good time. It was fun to see old friends and to catch up on life. Many attended with their husbands, wives and young children, and a good time was had by all. My freshman suitemates, **Mary Tracey Wardlaw** and **Lori Wernicki Waddman** were going toe-to-toe with the Class of '85 in the Eagles Nest. Way to go, girls! Thanks to their husbands, Donnie and Eric, for their infinite patience and good sense to just let us make public fools of ourselves.

Laura Koch lives in the San Francisco Bay area and has adopted a 5-year-old girl, Mari, who just started kindergarten this fall. **Anastasia "Stacy" Staruch Gahr** is working on her master of science degree in speech pathology at Clarion U. in Pennsylvania. She lives with her husband of four years in Oil City, Pa. Congratulations to **Lin** and **Margie Ran Outten** on the birth of son Liam in February 1998.

As for me, I'm working on a second master's degree in computer systems management at the U. of Maryland in College Park. I live in Arlington, Va., with my dog, Fritz, and work full time as a senior systems engineer for MITRE Corporation at the Defense Intelligence Agency in Washington, D.C. In November, I went to Nepal to trek for three weeks in the Himalayas, a trip I've wanted to make since college.

1990

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Brad and I are expecting our second child this spring. I never dreamed I'd enjoy staying home with our 4-year-old, Caroline, as much as I do — I may never go back to work! My former Willard roommate, **Beth Moore Reeb**, and husband Mike are also expecting their second child, another girl. Beth reported that daughter Rachel is in day care with Julia Bashore, daughter of **Scott Bashore** and **Kristen Kelly Bashore** '89.

Kris Kabza '88 and **Jennifer Levine** '92 were married in July in Newport, R.I., and honeymooned in Hawaii. They built a house in Fredericksburg. Kris and Jen said the wedding was a blast with fellow alums **Doug Bronski** '88, **Steve Mills**, **Norman Boccone** '88, and Kris's sister, **Mary Kabza Crosby** '91 and husband **Jim Crosby**.

Susan Hamilton Dockery lives in Knoxville, Tenn., with her husband and son Joey. She is expecting #2 this winter. She enjoys her job working with mentally and physically disabled adults. **Sean Dargan** has relocated to Texas to test the musical waters, although he still makes jaunts back to Virginia for occasional gigs. **Kevin Shirley** works as a real estate agent for Pardoe Realty on Capitol Hill.

Please drop me a line. If I don't hear more, I will be forced to write about my dog, who, while adorable, did not attend MWC.

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From Jill:

Thanks, everyone, for writing in response to my letter. I want to let you know that my e-mail address was printed incorrectly in that letter. Thankfully, the person whose e-mail address was given has been kind enough to forward me your e-mails. I may have missed the first few, though, so take note of my correct address. By the time this goes to press, I will have made it halfway through my first year as a second-grade teacher at Orange Hunt ES in Springfield.

There are a few other teachers among us. **Victoria Rheinstrom** is an LD teacher in Annandale and is almost finished with her master's program at GMU. **Carlyn Floyd** teaches emotionally disturbed high schoolers in Alexandria while continuing to work on her master's degree at GWU. **Kiea Brown** teaches in Virginia Beach, earned her master's degree and is engaged to Kyle Michau, who is in the Navy. **Katie Burke** is teaching fourth grade in Arlington and married Tom Stribling in October 1998. **Emilie Hopkins** teaches art at St. Edmund's Academy in Pittsburgh. She has also started graduate courses to earn a master's degree in art education. **Corrie Henson Kelly** teaches third grade in Stafford County at Winding Creek ES. Corrie and husband **Brendan Kelly** '95, who works as an intelligence officer for the Defense Intelligence Agency in D.C., celebrated their first anniversary in July 1998. They live in Stafford County. **Michelle Labbe** spent the past year as a kindergarten aide and loved it so much that she's going back to MWC to complete teacher certification. She is also taking classes at the extended VCU campus in Northern Virginia to work on her master's in art education. **Suzy Chenault** hopes to be a high-school teacher. She's currently working toward her master's degree at U.Va. When she's finished, she'll be able to teach high-school biology and earth science.

Alex Ables has been very busy since graduation. He spent some time in Norway working on a joint contract between the U.S. Marine Corps and the Kingdom of Norway. From that job, Alex moved on to work as chief-of-staff to David Albo, a member of the Virginia House of Delegates. He successfully managed Albo's re-election campaign, creating the second highest margin of victory for any race in Virginia that year! Alex also had a hand in Governor Jim Gilmore's campaign in Northern Virginia. Now Alex works for the governor's office in two areas, as a recruiter to fill the openings on boards and commissions and as editor of the *Report of the Secretary of the Commonwealth*, a report that contains all the information you would ever want to know about Virginia government.

Kelly Yospin Conerly works at NSWC in Dahlgren and lives in Fredericksburg with new hubby, Lin. Joining Kelly at NSWC are **Adam Brown**, **Steve Lando** and **John Richard. Krystal Fogg** hasn't left the 'burg either; she's working at Bowman Distilleries. **Kerri Gordon** lives in Richmond and is a probation officer working for Chesterfield County Community Corrections and Pretrial Services. **Amanda Blauvelt** works for BCI Inc., a Canadian telecommunications consulting company in Chantilly, and deals with immigration, securing visas for people coming to work in the United States. Amanda took a two-week vacation in England and Ireland in September. **Lisa Blackley Dmochowski** and husband **Michael Dmochowski** '95 were married in May 1998. They settled in Roanoke after honeymooning in Aruba, and Lisa enjoys her marketing job.

Lisa Vanbourgondien Chown has moved to Pensacola, Fla., with husband Chris and works in a museum. **Keith Conley** moved to D.C., where he works for the United States Catholic Conference as a case manager program specialist in their migration and refugee services. **Amy McFerrin** and her husband have moved back to Atlanta. Amy is in a four-year doctor of pharmacy program at Mercer U., Class of 2001! In the meantime, she works as a pharmacy intern at Northside Hospital in Atlanta. Also in Atlanta are **Amy Wood** and **Jessica Fulmer**. Amy works for Ernst & Young in the tallest building in Atlanta. Jessica works at Houston's Restaurant while taking classes toward her teaching degree. **Lauren Creamer** lived with Amy and Jessica until September '97, when she moved back to Massachusetts. **Joanna Osborne** also lived in Atlanta with Amy and Jessica until she moved back to Maine. **Amy Mintor** moved to Charlottesville and works as a nurse.

Anne Brock Chlebos and husband **Rick Chlebos** '97 are making their home in Illinois. Anne's bridesmaids included **Tory Rendon**, **Kat Kinzer Boyd** and **Melissa Kuhn**. Kat and **Steve Boyd** '95 celebrated their first anniversary in September. Tory earned her master's in public health from Tulane U. in December '97. She works in Rockville, Md., supporting an NIH grant to do pediatric AIDS clinical trials research.

Providence, R.I., hasn't been the same since **Jenny Bendery** left her job as a journalist to move to San Francisco. She lives with **Laura Wyatt** '97. **Peter Steinberg** works for Borders as an inventory coordinator. **Matt Armbruster** was married to Michelle Hess in June 1998 in Millersville, Pa. **Jamie Wasserman** works as a technical writer in Columbia, Md. He also edits a literary Webzine. In his spare time, Jamie has set up a home page for MWC alums from the Class of '96.

Jennifer Gavin is in a graduate program for creative writing at New York U. **Carin Gsellman** is in her second year of grad school at Towson State working toward her master's degree in occupational therapy. **Angie Long** started working toward a master's degree in social work with VCU's satellite program from Northern Virginia. After graduation, **Dave Carillo** took a year off. He is currently a teaching assistant at VCU while working toward completing his master's degree in rhetoric and composition. **Rebecca Silverman** finished her M.A. degree from U.Md. in criminology. She lives in Alexandria and commutes to her job in Greenbelt, Md. Rebecca is a research assistant for HIDTA, which studies and evaluates drug treatment programs.

Many of our classmates have given up the amenities of the United States and have gone overseas to work. **Lisa Ackerman** is in Guatemala working for Volunteer Missionary Movement at an orphanage and helping to set up a clinic. **Jumana Qamruddin** earned a master's degree in public health from Tulane U. and is now spending two years in Mali, West Africa. **Rick Schettler** is in Paraguay with the Peace Corps. He is enjoying his experience, but says that it's a huge reality check on how good we have it here in the United States. **Samantha Morris** is in Kenya for two years.

April Tofanelli visited **Neil Roed** and **Tom Zachary** in San Diego and reported that both are doing well. April, **Sam Morris**, **Donna Silver** and I got together at the end of the summer to celebrate **Andi Tapscott**'s marriage to **Tug Martin** in October 1998. **Brandi Flanagan** stopped by that night after attending the wedding of **Kari Neckel**. Donna and her boyfriend, Mike, got engaged over the summer. Donna works as a legal assistant at a law firm. Brandi works in Richmond for a brokerage firm. In addition to her office job, April works at Sam and Harry's in Tysons Corner.

Meredith Frye, in Tennessee with her fiancé, is looking for a teaching position in a college art department. **Susan Pomeroy** lives in Colorado and works at a mapping agency. It's good to hear that someone is actually working in their degree field! **Kim Gossett** is doing well and plans to move to Northern Virginia in the next year to attend Georgetown for her teaching certification in historic preservation. **Becky Jones** and **Susie Thorpe** both work for SAIC, Becky in Tysons and Susie in Reston.

Bonnie Bullock wrote from her new home in Sydney, Australia. Boy, am I jealous! After graduation, Bonnie moved to Colorado to work for AustraLearn, an international firm that provides educational opportunities in Australia to U.S. college students. It was in this job that she met her Aussie husband, Greg Preston. They moved to Australia in March and were married in April near the famous Sydney Opera House. They are planning a U.S. wedding in September 1999. Bonnie works in public relations at the Australian Red Cross Blood Service. She says she can't wait for the 2000 Olympics!

Wow — we certainly have been busy since graduation! I am glad to hear that things are going well for most of you. Take care and keep in touch!

From Jen:

Also enjoying some travel, **Harry Thomas** '97 and **Tomaudrie Rudd** were married in the Bahamas in May 1998 and enjoyed a beautiful island honeymoon. May was a busy month for Harry, as he also completed his master of education degree at James Madison U. Both of them are working hard — Harry is employed by Capital One, and Tomaudrie continues to enjoy her recent promotion to probation officer. The couple resides in Fredericksburg with their lovely baby girl, Brenea.

Jeanne Floyd Snyder and **Jim Snyder** bought a house in Indiana and are enjoying two years of marriage together. Jim is in law school at Indiana U. and Jeanne is working on a master's degree in telecommunications at Indiana. Also continuing the education trend, **Wendy Young** '97 is at Appalachian State U. in Boone, N.C. Wendy is a hall director and is working on a master's degree in student development. I hear that **Matthew Ladenhelm** continues with the rigors of law school — he's in his second year at Dickinson in Pennsylvania.

By the printing of these Class Notes, I will be **Jennifer Rudalf Gates**, having been married

to Mark in November 1998. We live in Greensboro, N.C., where I am an assistant director of admission for Guilford College and love it! Like Harry Thomas, I am happy to have completed my master of education degree at JMU, and work keeps me busy, especially with travel throughout most of the South. The travel I am most looking forward to is my honeymoon to Disney World and a Bahamas cruise!

A common theme with some of our classmates lately, wedding bells also rang for **Kate Lulfs** '97 and **Richard Ehrle** '95 over Homecoming Weekend last fall. In addition to that exciting news, Kate and Richard recently bought a lovely home in the Ferry Farm area of Fredericksburg, and both continue to work in D.C.

1998

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It seems the majority of our classmates are working and living in the greater D.C. area. **Greg Ahern** lives in Old Town Alexandria with fellow lacrosse player **Mark Kellaher**. **Jeremy Blain** lives with **Jesse Freese**, **Jeff Seaman** and **Clint McCarthy** in Rockville, Md. All have corporate jobs in D.C.

Allison Andrews lives in Charlottesville and attends graduate school at U.Va. She lives with **Angie Saulsbury**, who is also at U.Va studying architecture.

There have been several marriages since graduation. **Kirk Blankenship** married his longtime girlfriend, Shelly. **Mandy Grandle** and **Shelly Singley** were both betrothed over the summer. Shelly married former River harmonica player Chris, and they live in Boston, where Shelly teaches and Chris attends graduate school. **Lori Brooks** was engaged and is looking forward to her wedding.

Darien Berkowitz lives with **Lauren Dwyer** in Arlington. Darien is employing top-notch economics skills at the IRS, and Dr. Stageberg says he's very proud. Darien and Lauren's friends, **Caitlin Jenkins**, **Meg Ellis** and **Courtney Lamb** live down the road from them in Alexandria. Caitlin is finishing another degree at MWC, Meg works for Cambridge Associates, and Courtney is working on a graduate degree at George Washington U.

Also in the D.C. area are **Vicki Blevins**, who is managing a fitness facility, and **JT Tani**, who works for a federal investigative service and con-tinues to volunteer with **Lars Thresop** for the Fredericksburg EMT. Lars lives with **Adrien Snedeker** in Herndon. Adrien is a specialist for a sports equipment company. According to **Erika Giaimo**, **Brian Lusk** is "working in Dahlgren doing some high-tech physics crazy military job that none of us will ever truly understand." **Laura Letchworth** and **Erin Rodman** live together in Alexandria. Laura works in the CADD department of Dewberry and Davis, while Erin serves as assistant to the press secretary at the Republican National Committee on Capitol Hill. **Wes Dunn** also works for Dewberry and lives in Northern Virginia with **Ron Carlton**. **Jenine Zimmers** is still working for the local paper in Manassas.

Many of us traveled far from campus to pursue our careers. **Dabney Boye** lives and works in Annapolis, Md. Her longtime roommate, **Kristen Walsh**, is in Portland awaiting her Peace Corps assignment in Africa. Also in Portland is **Timmy Roberts**, who volunteers for Americorps. **Sarah Geiger** lives and works outside of Nashville, Tenn. **Alexis Kingham** works in the admissions office at Swarthmore College. **Anne Mullins** lives in New Jersey and works for Marcel Dekker Inc. as a journal promotion specialist. **Lina Marunas** recently completed an internship with the New Jersey Historic Preservation Society and now resides in Connecticut. **Kate McPeek** is in Utah working with troubled teens and plans to go on to the Peace Corps. Also out West are **Scott Mulligan**, who is in Wyoming, and **Mike Paolino**, who works for Booz Allen and Hamilton in California. **Tom Zarcone** lives in Vermont and works for a cartography company.

The Boston area was a popular choice for several classmates. **Lauren Chadwick** and **Jenn Holtzinger** have an apartment outside the city. Jenn has a scholarship at Tufts U. and is studying for a master's and Ph.D. in psychology. **Sheila Elledge**, **Nicole Levangie**, **Jay Szatmary**, **Sean Tuffy**, **Ed Kreite**, **Eric Kloss**, **Mike Prensky**, **Jayme Morris** and **Chris Van Horn** are all in Boston as well. Sean and Chris work together at a bank, while Mike works for Cambridge Associates. Sheila works for Chubb, an insurance company.

Several chose to remain in Fredericksburg after graduation. **Sarah Gilbert**, **Matt Galeone** and **Abby Mitchell** live together near the campus. Matt works with the MWC admissions office, and Abby is working on a second undergraduate degree. Also working for MWC as assistant director of annual giving is **Lee Ann Reaser**. **Wes Heuvel** is also in Fredericksburg. He lives with **Kyle Courtney**, who works for an attorney and is applying to law schools. **Rob McKinstry**, **Brian McMurray** and **Josh Jordan** all live together and work in Fredericksburg. **Erika Giaimo** works with Matt G. for our alma mater in the admissions office, along with **Megan Reese**. And the last I heard, both **Kevin Byrne** and **Ben Phelps** were living in Fredericksburg and working for Enterprise Rent-a-Car.

Many of our classmates spent some time traveling in Europe last summer. Erika Giaimo and **Deacon Chapin** met up with **Frank Carr**, **Laura Babb**, **Drew Cox** and **Jeanie Cassidy** there. I was also fortunate enough to spend six weeks following graduation in Florence, Italy. While traveling, I ran into **Marissa Buono**, with whom I attended a Dave Matthews concert. With us was **Ryan Forbrich**, who traveled with me for two weeks. I also spent a few days with **John Schmauch** in Florence, where I literally bumped into both **Leslie Mills** and **Joselle Poblete**.

I now live in Old Town Alexandria with **Emily Winn**. Both of us work for MCI, as do Ryan Forbrich, **Matt Swartz** and **Sarah Sullivan**. Sarah, Ryan, Matt and I recently traveled to North Carolina to participate in the annual MCI softball tournament. Ryan and Matt were impressive, but Sarah was by far our team's MVP.

Finally, I must announce **Jennifer Lynn Belote** as the winner of the alumni award. She was the only 1998 graduate who wrote to me to let me know what she's doing. She lives in Richmond and is studying at MCV.

Everyone take care and send those informational letters and e-mails!

IN MEMORIAM

We extend our sympathies to the families and friends of the deceased.

Grace Brizendine Smith '20
Elizabeth Minor Gray '28
Irene Pepmeier Leonard '28
Jeannette Stewart Keiningham '30
Frances Arthur Kellam '34
Frances M. Kirkwood '37
Dorothy Bevard Owen '37
Mary K. Gademan '38
Merian Ashbrook Hughes '38
Charlotte Hall Gaw '39
Marian C. Jones '41
Muriel Child Lowenhaupt '43
Laurette Emory Munnikhuysen '43
Jean Downing Reynolds '43
Marion McNulty Heffernan '44
Virginia Gunn Blanton '45
Mary Doswell Simpson '45
Betty Atkins Powers '46
Maurine Brevoort Seely '46
Donna Powell Thomas '47
Kathryn Hill Seay '48
Mary Jane Guthrie Simpson '50
Carolyn Spencer Buchanan '52
Betsy Martin Carden '52
Bernice Fawthrop Eubank '52
Wilma Taggart Leiser '52
Barbara Rea Craun '59
Donna McCord Dickman '64
Priscilla Loomis '64
Kathy Chambers Marshall '64
Susan Austin Claassen '65
Alyce Sydenstricker Thompson '69
Karen Peters Zirkle '74
Diana H. Anderson '94
Meredith C. Loughran '94
Navachat Tongvichit '95

Stanley F. Bulley, professor emeritus of music
Peter R. Coffin, former professor of philosophy
Charles T. Coleman, contract inspector, Facilities Services
Eileen K. Dodd, professor emerita of psychology
Ruby C. Harris, former assistant professor of home economics; dean of women 1954-56
Mary W. Pinschmidt, professor of biology
Joseph C. Vance, professor emeritus of history

CONDOLENCES

We extend our condolences to those who have lost loved ones.

Dorothy McGuire Bunch '36, who lost her son
Susan Woodward Pearson '39, who lost her husband
Ruth Westcott Hale '44, who lost her daughter
Ruth Gubler Kluge '44, who lost her husband
Myrtle Oakley Hall Roberts '44, who lost her husband
Corabel Garrison Wallace '44, who lost her husband
Josephine Soresen Barker '46, who lost her husband
Louene Waite Whitehurst '47, who lost her husband
Mary Lyne Kucera Morrissey '50, who lost her mother and mother-in-law
Elizabeth Stevens Mills '52, who lost her father
Annette Albee Murphy '52, who lost her father
Jean Leiby Cody '53, who lost her husband
Nanalou West Sauder '56, who lost her husband
Martha Coates '64, who lost her father
Elizabeth Kern Odom Loughran '69, who lost her daughter
Mary Anne Kennedy Kane '79, who lost her father
Cheryl McKay Comes '80, who lost her mother
Darla Fjeld '81, who lost her mother
Lois Walthall Murdaugh '84, who lost her son
Toni Anderson '89, who lost her mother
Penny Anderson '90, who lost her mother
Katherine Loughran Clagett '92, who lost her sister
Susie Anderson '94, who lost her mother
Laura J. Nordan '95, who lost her father

Correction

In the previous issue of *Mary Washington College TODAY*, Jean Leiby Cody '53 was incorrectly listed under "In Memoriam" as deceased. She recently lost her husband, and should have been listed under "Condolences." We sincerely regret the error.

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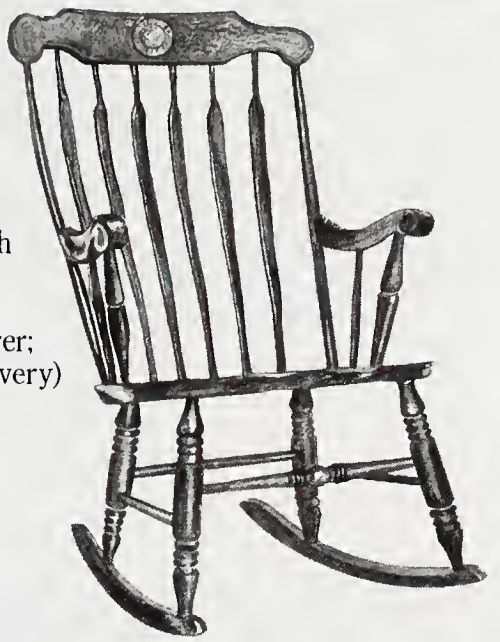
The Spinning Wheel Boutique can help you find that special gift. The Boutique offers a variety of merchandise, featuring the pewter Jefferson Cup, Boston Rocker and Captain's Chair. Gifts are available for purchase at the alumni house or they can be shipped (with additional shipping charge). Add 4.5% sales tax to the price of all items purchased in the Boutique or shipped to a Virginia address. Make checks payable to Mary Washington College Alumni Association, and mail requests to P.O. Box 1315, College Station, Fredericksburg, VA 22402. You can also call the Alumni Office at (540) 654-1011 with your order or fax it to (540) 654-1075 and charge it with your VISA or MasterCard.



Boston Rocker $200.00
#133-2104–Satin black finish with gold trim
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(shipped from manufacturer; allow 6 to 8 weeks for delivery)

Pewter Jefferson Cup $20.00
Etched with MWC seal
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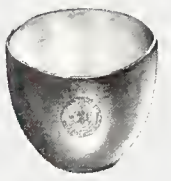

Wine Carafe Set $38.00
1 liter carafe and 4 glasses etched with MWC seal
(Shipping $5.00)

MWC Blanket $45.00
All wool, 62" x 84"
Navy blue/white MWC seal/gray trim
(Shipping $6.00)

Mary Washington Brass Trivet
(in the shape of the MW)
Large–(7-inch) $19.00
(Shipping $3.00)

Beach Towel $28.50
Navy blue with white embroidered lettering, 36" x 72"
(Shipping $3.00)

Captain's Chair $200.00
#342-2108–Satin black lacquer finish with cherry arms
(shipped from manufacturer; allow 6 to 8 weeks for delivery)

Cotton Canvas Tote Bags
Natural cotton with navy blue trim and embroidered lettering
Small (12" x 14")–$15.00
Large (14" x 24")–$20.00
(Shipping $3.00)

Nylon Bags (not pictured):
Large Carry-All, 24" x 12" x 12", $28.50 (shipping $5.00)
Small Carry-All, 19" x 10" x 10", $23.50 (shipping $4.00)
Briefcase, 16-1/4" x 13-1/4" x 3", $28.50 (shipping $4.00)
Garment Bag 39" $24.00 (shipping $4.00)
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